

# **NOTICE**

## **COMPTON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA Wednesday, June 08, 2011 5:45 PM**

### **HEARING(S)**

**5:50 P.M. - PUBLIC HEARING - 2011 (APPROVAL) FIREWORKS HEARING**

### **OPENING**

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

#### **COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

1. CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION - Juan and Edgardo Reynoso- Outstanding Students (Councilwoman Arceneaux)

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA MATTERS**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent items are routine and expected to be non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Council at one time without discussion unless a Council Member requests an item be removed or discussed.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

2. May 17, 2011

#### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMISSIONS**

3. PERSONNEL BOARD MINUTES (January, February, March, 2011) -  
Receive/File

#### **CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY/CITY TREASURER REPORTS**

4. INVESTMENT REPORT - March and April, 2011 (Receive/File)

**CITY CONTROLLER**

5. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AND ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SUNGARD PUBLIC SECTOR (FORMERLY SUNGARD BI-TECH) FOR MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FOR THE CITY'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM (IFAS MODULE)

**CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

6. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LICENSING, SUPPORT AND HOSTING AGREEMENT WITH DIALOGIC COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (dba CASSIDIAN COMMUNICATIONS) FOR AN EMERGENCY TELEPHONE MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR THE CITY
7. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT AND PURCHASE ORDER WITH THE CITY OF DOWNEY FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCHING SERVICES
8. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$28,773 IN GRANT FUNDING FROM HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF FIRE PERSONNEL COMPLETING REGIONAL TERRORISM LIAISON OFFICE TRAINING

**COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT**

9. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO FINANCE AND IMPLEMENT THE RESTORATION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF OLYMPIC PARK ADJACENT TO THE GATEWAY TOWNE CENTER LOCATED IN THE COMPTON REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

**PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

10. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON APPROVING AND ADOPTING MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION 926 AND THE MITIGATION AND MONITORING REPORT FOR THE COMPTON CREEK REGIONAL GARDEN PARK MASTER PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES

**PUBLIC WORKS-ENGINEERING**

11. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO RAYVERN LIGHTING SUPPLY COMPANY FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND STREET LAMP SUPPLIES AND SUPPORT SERVICES NEEDED TO MAINTAIN TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND STREET LIGHTS

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

12. Warrant #200220 - Date - 5/24/11 - Name - C.H.A.N.G.E. - Description - Graffiti Removal - Amount - \$5,000.00 - Requested by: Public Works

Warrant #200375 - Date - 5/25/11 - Name - Gateway Cities Council of Gov't - Description - EIR/EIS Report - Amount - \$127,826.56 - Requested by: Public Works

Total Amount - \$132,826.56

13. Warrant #200416 - Date - 5/31/11 - Name - American Print Media - Description - Legal Advertising - Amount - \$8,207.50 - Requested by: City Clerk

Warrant #200422 - Date - 5/31/11 - Name - Los Angeles County Public Works Department for Jurisdictional - Description - Share of Mona Blvd. et al - Amount - \$26,800.00 - Requested by: Public Works

Total - \$35,007.50

14. Warrant #200428 - Date - 5/31/11 - Name - Press Telegram Long Beach - Description - Advertising Cost for Mardi Gras and Latino Festival 2011 - Amount - \$33,242.05 - Requested by: Recreation

15. Warrant #200447 - Date - 6/2/11 - Name - C.H.A.N.G.E. - Description - Graffiti Removal - Amount - \$5,000.00 - Requested by: Public Works

Warrant #200464 - Date - 6/2/11 - Name - Press Telegram Long Beach - Description - Advertising Cost - Amount - \$14,076.00 - Requested by: Public Works

Total - \$19,076.50

**END CONSENT AGENDA**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

16. APPOINTMENT(S) OF OFFICERS, COUNCIL MEMBERS,  
BOARDS/COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

**COMPTON CREEK  
MOSQUITO ABATEMENT**

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

17. REQUEST TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE COMPTON RENAISSANCE TRANSIT SYSTEM INCREASE IN PARATRANSIT FARE  
(June 21, 2011 at 5:50 p.m.)
18. REQUEST TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2010 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (June 28, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.)
19. **MINUTE MOTION** - APPROVAL OF FIREWORK APPLICATIONS - Veterans of Foreign Wars, Light of the World Church, Compton High School Drill Team, Compton High School Boys Basketball, Light of the World Community Center, House of Prayer for All the People, American Legion Post, Double Rock Baptist church, New Holy Trinity Baptist Church, Curry Temple C.M.E. Church, Sigma Lambda Beta Fraternity, Sandra's Soul Steppers

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS**

20. CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY:
- Jose Ochoa v. City of Compton - I-8430/LI-108A  
Antonio Palache v. City of Compton - I-8431/LI-107A

**CLOSED SESSION**

21. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
Felicitas Gonzalez, ET AL V. City of Compton, Case No. BC450 494  
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(a)
22. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
One Potential Case  
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(b)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

*NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, June 14, 2011 @ 5:45 PM.*

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**June 8, 2011**

**TO: MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: CITY CLERK**

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FIREWORKS APPLICATIONS**

In accordance to the Compton Municipal Code Section 22-2.3, charitable organizations, associations, or corporations may sell safe and sane fireworks upon first obtaining a permit from the City of Compton. Organizations are selected through a random drawing conducted by the City Clerk's Office.

For the 2011 Fireworks Selection, a random drawing was held in the City Clerk's Office on May 10, 2011. There were twenty-four (24) applications submitted to operate a 2011 fireworks stand. The CMC allows for twelve (12) fireworks stand in the city.

On May 24, 2011 a denial hearing was held and six (6) applications were denied a permit for a fireworks stand allowing the top eleven (11) qualified organizations to be selected for a fireworks stand with one (1) second year organization. Six (6) organizations will be placed on a waiting list should an organization drop out. Each organization is allowed to keep the fireworks stand for two (2) years providing they maintain their eligibility.

Section 22-2.8 of the Compton Municipal Code gives the City Council, sole discretion to grant or deny a permit to sell fireworks. The criteria to make such a decision is listed in CMC sections 22-2.8(a) through 22-2.8(g).

It is Staff's recommendation that the following organizations be approved for a 2011 fireworks stand:

1. Veterans of Foreign Wars
2. Light of the World Church
3. Compton H.S. Drill Team
4. Compton H.S. Boys Basketball
5. Light of the World Community Center
6. House of Prayer for All the People
7. American Legion Post
8. Double Rock Baptist Church
9. New Holy Trinity Baptist Church
10. Curry Temple C.M.E. Church
11. Sigma Lambda Beta Fraternity
12. Sandra's Soul Steppers (Second Year)

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The following organizations will be placed on a waiting list, in the event one of the top twelve organizations drops out:

1. Victory Outreach
2. Dominguez Samoan Congregational Church
3. E. Boyd Ester Manor
4. Dominguez H. S. Quarterback Club
5. Greater Compton Youth Football
6. Iglesia Hispana Adoracion

**Alita Godwin, CMC**  
**City Clerk**

**MAY 17, 2011**

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:14 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Eric Perrodin.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Council Members Present:** Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Perrodin

**Council Members Absent:** Jones

**Other Officials Present:** C. Cornwell, A. Godwin, W. Norfleet

5:50 P.M. - JOINT PUBLIC HEARING - TO CONSIDER CERTAIN DISPOSITION AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND CHAMPION DEVELOPMENT AND META HOUSING FOR THE DISPOSITION AND DEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN AGENCY-OWNED PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA (**Continued to June 21, 2011 at 5:50 p.m.**)

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA MATTERS**

**Bishop L. J. Guillory**, former Compton resident, admitted that he was convicted of kidnapping and wrongfully put in prison for 8 1/2 years. He indicated that he was the husband of a councilwoman that used her position to abuse the City's taxpayers. He stated that he was born and raised in the City of Compton and would never give his brother one million dollars. He implied that there was a misconception about power among the members of this City Council and asked that they authorize a special election to allow the citizens an opportunity to vote on whether they want the Compton Police Department back.

**Rochelle Grant**, Compton resident, requested the City Council's assistance in the reversal of the Local Housing Authority's order to terminate her Section 8 housing voucher effective June 1, 2011 for a failure to report earned assets and income.

**Mayor Perrodin** referred Ms. Grant to the City Attorney's Office.

**Benjamin Holifield**, Compton resident, stated that he was pleased to see the City Treasurer and the City Controller during these economic times. He referenced an event held at the Compton Airport and stated that it was one of the greatest events he had ever attended in his 48 years as a Compton resident. He indicated that there were Buffalo soldiers and the Tuskegee Airmen present to encourage the youth in attendance to become captains and pilots. He encouraged the participation of the elected officials and their support in reactivating the Youth Commission.

**Joyce Kelly**, Compton resident, made disparaging remarks regarding certain members of the council.

Ms. Kelly was removed from the council chambers for violating the rules of decorum.

**Lynn Boone**, Compton resident, referenced last week's budget workshop and requested the difference between a hearing and a workshop. She cited a section in the City Charter and contended that budget hearings were supposed to be given by the City Manager. She argued that neither the residents or the City employees were allowed to speak during the workshop. She also alleged that the City Attorney had yet to enforce any violations against the City Charter. She pleaded with the City Council to consider the families that would be affected by the proposed lay-offs.

**Lorraine Cervantes**, Compton resident, stated that after reviewing the minutes from the previous meetings, she noticed an abundance of activities and programs available for the youth during the summer months through the Parks and Recreation Department. She mentioned that unfortunately many of those programs would have to be cancelled, due to a lack of participation.

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She commented on the promises made by many of the candidates who were running for office and maintained that it takes at least three votes to make any changes within the City. She subsequently asked that this Body reconsider a resolution that establishes a Human Relations Committee that ensures equal opportunities for all people in the City of Compton.

**Kareemah Bradford**, City employee with an Undergraduate Degree in Accounting, requested an opportunity to clarify some of the information that was disclosed at the budget workshop held May 12, 2011. She indicated that there were no negative financial impacts on the City's budget for temporary appointments. She added that there were no allotments of outstanding liabilities for laid-off employees within the budget. She clarified another comment regarding management personnel; maintaining that department managers were responsible for managing their own staff. She stated that it is not the responsibility of the Human Resources Department, City Controller or the City Manager's Office to monitor employee hours. She also questioned if the shortfall was due to too many temporary and part-time employees already factored into the City's budget, or otherwise.

**Charles Leon**, union representative of SEIU 721, referenced a statement made at the budget workshop regarding the union's unwillingness to converse the City. He disputed the comment and requested an opportunity to work with the City Manager to discuss how the City could address the budget while saving as many jobs as possible.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

On motion by Dobson, seconded by Arceneaux, the Consent Agenda was approved, by the following vote on roll call:

**AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Perrodin**

**NOES: Council Members - None**

**ABSENT: Council Members - Jones**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. May 3, 2011

### **CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY/CITY TREASURER REPORTS**

2. INVESTMENT REPORT (February 2011)

### **CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT AND ESTABLISH A PURCHASE ORDER WITH WINTEC RESOURCES INC. FOR EMERGENCY AMBULANCE BILLING SERVICES (**Resolution # 23,317**)

### **APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

4. Warrant #199557 - C.H.A.N.G.E. - Graffiti Removal - \$2,500.00 Requested by: Public Works

### **END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

### **COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

5. PROCLAMATION - "NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK" (May 15-21, 2011)

**Mayor Perrodin and the City Council** proclaimed the week of May 15-21, 2011 as "National Public Works Week" in the City of Compton, in recognition of the contributions that public works' officials make every day to ensure the health, safety, comfort and quality of life for the citizens of Compton.

**REGULAR AGENDA****CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

6. REQUEST TO RESCHEDULE A JOINT PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER CERTAIN DISPOSITION AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND CHAMPION DEVELOPMENT TRADEMARK DEVELOPMENT, MAXI FOODS, WALBERN DEVELOPMENT, YAVITZ COMPANIES, WESTLAND REAL ESTATE, STRATUS DEVELOPMENT AND META HOUSING FOR THE DISPOSITION AND DEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN AGENCY OWNED PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA (**June 21, 2011 at 5:50 p.m.**) (**REMOVED**)

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS**

7. **CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF COMPTON**  
Sementa Lomax v. City of Compton (I-8425/LI0000101A)  
Pauline Matthews v. City of Compton (I-8427/LI0000104A)

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Dobson, the above claims were denied, by the following vote on roll call:

**AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Perrodin**  
**NOES: Council Members - None**  
**ABSENT: Council Members - Jones**

**CLOSED SESSION****8. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

Felicitas Gonzalez, et al vs. City of Compton, Case No. BC450 494  
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Calhoun, closed session was approved, by the following vote on roll call:

**AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Perrodin**  
**NOES: Council Members - None**  
**ABSENT: Council Members - Jones**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - There was no Unfinished Business.

**NEW BUSINESS** - There was no New Business.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilperson Calhoun** referenced the process of appointing temporary and part-time employees and stated that someone should already have the list of the proposed lay-offs in the order of seniority, in the event that lay-offs take place.

Councilperson Calhoun held that it is imperative that this City Council receive accurate information in order to do their jobs in the best possible way they can.

**Councilperson Dobson** made reference to the budget process and encouraged the Mayor and the City Council to continue their quest in bringing businesses and employment opportunities to the citizens of Compton.

**Councilperson Arceneaux** referenced the fluoridated water purchased from the Metropolitan Water District and a letter from Bernice King. Ms. Arceneaux urged African American families to speak out against fluoridated water by contacting their state representative.

Councilperson Arceneaux commended the volunteers from the Heal the Bay organization and the Compton High School Recycling Club for their contributions during the Compton Creek Clean-Up event.

Councilperson Arceneaux recognized one of the original Buffalo Soldiers, Kathy Williams.

**Mayor Perrodin** requested that the meeting be adjourned in the memory of longtime resident, Donald D. Joseph.

Mayor Perrodin announced that the Los Angeles Urban League would be hiring for the following positions: general contractors, administrative assistants and construction workers. For additional information regarding this employment opportunity, please contact Dewayne Price at (323) 600-1106 ext. 263.

Mayor Perrodin notified the residents that the City’s financial audit would be available for purchase in the City Clerk’s Office.

Mayor Perrodin confirmed that the City would be experiencing a period of lay-offs to address the City's shortfall.

**The meeting was recessed to closed session at 7:10 p.m. and reconvened at 7:52 p.m.**

**REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

**Craig Cornwell**, City Attorney, reported that counsel met in closed session regarding Conference with legal counsel concerning the existing litigation in the case of Felicitas Gonzales, et al vs. City of Compton Case No. BC450 494 pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(a). No action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Arceneaux, seconded by Dobson, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m. in the memory of **Donald D. Joseph**, by the following vote on roll call:

- AYES: Council Members - Calhoun, Dobson, Arceneaux, Perrodin**
- NOES: Council Members - None**
- ABSENT: Council Members - Jones**

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**City Clerk of the City of Compton**

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**Mayor of the City of Compton**

**PERSONNEL BOARD – CITY OF COMPTON  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – COMPTON CITY HALL  
REGULAR MEETING**

**JANUARY 20, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Personnel Board of the City of Compton held a meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2011, in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 205 South Willowbrook Avenue, Compton, California. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Margaret Mitchell at 6:11 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Clark.

**ROLL CALL**

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| MEMBERS PRESENT: | Charlene Anderson, Barbara Banks,<br>Ernest Baker, Douglas Clark,<br>Margaret Mitchell |
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| MEMBERS ABSENT: | None |
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| STAFF PRESENT: | Ruth Rugley, Chief Deputy City Attorney<br>Legal Advisor to the Board |
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Sheri Eaton  
Clerk to the Personnel Board

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| CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: | -- |
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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

December 9, 2010 - Special Meeting  
December 16, 2010 - Regular Meeting

Ms. Mitchell asked the Clerk to hold this vote until the next meeting as a few Board Members stated they had not had a chance to review the minutes yet. Once they have the opportunity to read the minutes, the Board will vote on approval of each meeting's minutes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Oral and Written Communications, Reports, and Requests**

The Clerk of the Board explained that five items were pulled from the agenda: 1A, D1, D2, E1, and E4.

Mr. Baker inquired if the Board could anticipate one or more of these items returning to the Board in the near future. Ms. Eaton said she anticipated that items E1, Accounting Specialist, Local Housing Authority, and E4, Office Assistant III, Human Resources, would return to the Board in the near future.

A. Human Resources Findings – Item was pulled

B. Report of Temporary Positions as of December 31, 2010

On motion by Banks, seconded by Baker, request to receive and file Report of Temporary Positions as of December 31, 2010, was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

C. Report of Exempt Positions as of December 31, 2010

Mr. Craig Cornwell, City Attorney, addressed the Board to amend this request with a clarification. He stated that for the Claims Examiner position it was an exempted position, and it is a position on the agenda. He wanted to be sure it was consistent that the Claims Examiner is a permanent position, and there is no temporary person.

On motion by Baker, seconded by Anderson, request to receive and file Report of Exempt Positions as of December 31, 2010, along with the noted correction was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

D. Request to Abolish Eligible Lists – Item was pulled

1. Maintenance Worker II
2. Maintenance Leadworker

E. Requests for Temporary Appointments

1. Accounting Specialist (Accounting Technician) – Local Housing Authority – Item was pulled
2. Park Maintenance Leadworker – Parks, Recreation & Special Services

Mr. Louis McKenzie, Superintendent, spoke to the Board on this request. He explained that this position has been before the Board several times previously for temporary appointments. It is a very vital position because the position

leads the crews. Three tests have been held, but no one has been able to pass the test, inside or outside. He hopes since the test is coming up again, someone will be able to pass it.

Ms. Mitchell asked for the duties of the position, and Mr. McKenzie stated duties include: leading some of the crews on landscaping for maintenance of parks, city facilities, and other things; operate heavy equipment; and supervise five to ten people.

Ms. Mitchell asked what the negative impact would be if the position were not filled.

Mr. McKenzie explained this position is one of the most experienced, is a lower level supervisor, and it basically runs the group, so it would hurt the Department to not have this position filled.

Mr. Baker asked if the Department has anyone in mind for the position or if the position is being filled currently. Mr. McKenzie explained that the person who is temporarily appointed now, and has been for the last year or so, is the person he would hope to be able to pass the test.

Mr. Clark asked why the position has not been filled permanently, assuming it was within last year's budget, as it has been using temporary placement for a year now.

Mr. McKenzie explained first candidates had to wait for the test while the recruitment process was starting. Once the candidates tested for it, no one passed the test the first time, the second time, or the third time.

Ms. Anderson inquired if someone had reviewed the test to see if the functions in that position are matching up with the test and the market for that job. Mr. McKenzie said he was involved in recruiting the first time; but did not know that no one had passed. Since that first time, he had not reviewed the tests.

Ms. Anderson asked if the test was a performance test and if the questions were aligning with the position. Mr. McKenzie said he thought the first test did not relate to the type of work the job required. He said there was no way candidates were going to pass.

Ms. Mitchell asked the clerk what would be different on a fourth examination attempt and specifically asked if someone would be reviewing and adjusting the test to make it align better with the responsibilities the job actually entails.

Ms. Eaton explained that the department manager saw the last two exams, and he determined that the exam was appropriate for the position. He is the one who makes the decisions on exam development. Hopefully, he will include Mr. McKenzie in that decision-making process, as the City will go out again and try to recruit.

Mr. McKenzie stated for recruitments in-house, it was requested that candidates take a performance type of test if there is a problem finding a proper written test.

Ms. Mitchell noted it seemed the Department should look into that kind of test if no one is passing the current test inside or outside the City.

Ms. Banks asked if Mr. McKenzie works for the department manager or vice-versa, and Ms. Eaton explained Mr. McKenzie works for the department manager.

Mr. McKenzie noted that the department manager has been in that position for almost a year, so he would not have been clear on what actually each of the positions do in Park Maintenance.

On motion by Baker, seconded by Clark, request for temporary appointment of Park Maintenance Leadworker – Parks, Recreation & Special Services was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

### 3. Building and Permit Technician – Building and Safety

Mr. Victor Orozco, of the Building Department, addressed the Board regarding this request. He requested this position allow for someone to be in the field with him or instead of him. This would allow the Department to add someone who can be in the field with minimal instructions needed.

Ms. Mitchell asked if his request meant that currently building inspectors are doing the work of a technician in the field. Mr. Orozco stated that all inspectors are qualified, but by having an inspector in the office, the people at the counter were leaving everything to be done in the field.

On motion by Anderson, seconded by Baker, request for temporary appointment of Building and Permit Technician – Building and Safety was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

### 4. Office Assistant III – Human Resources – Item was pulled

### 5. Claims Technician – City Attorney

Mr. Craig Cornwell, City Attorney, again addressed the Board. He explained the Claims Technician position is the administrative support for the Workers'

Compensation Coordinator program and is the only position that provides administrative support to the program. So without this position, it would be a significant burden on public service. He asked the temporary status of the position continue for this calendar year and hoped within the 90-day period, the Department will be able to test and place someone.

Ms. Mitchell asked how administrative support is currently being handled. Mr. Cornwell explained there was a temporary position exempted last year, so that person is there providing the service. He was requesting that it continue.

Mr. Baker asked if anyone is in either this position and/or Workers' Compensation Coordinator. Mr. Cornwell said that both positions are filled, and both have requested to test.

On motion by Banks, seconded by Anderson, request for temporary appointment of Claims Technician – City Attorney was approved by the following vote on roll call:

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| AYES:   | Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell |
| NOES:   | Board Members - None                                    |
| ABSENT: | Board Members - None                                    |

#### 6. Workers Compensation Coordinator – City Attorney

Mr. Craig Cornwell, City Attorney, addressed the Board again. He explained this position is the day-to-day manager for the Workers' Compensation program. He explained the division hierarchy includes a Risk Manager position that handles divided responsibilities, and it was just filled last month permanently. That position oversees workers' compensation and has responsibilities in safety and insurance programs for the City. The Workers' Compensation Coordinator is the front-line manager for the program.

Mr. Cornwell also explained a Claims Examiner is more of an entry-level position that has case responsibilities. The Workers' Compensation Coordinator manages the program. This person would have much more experience than the examiner or technician which act as their support.

Mr. Cornwell asked that the position continue for this calendar year. He explained the request was made in October or December for the recruitment, and he explained the Workers' Compensation Coordinator position is vacant because that person became the Risk Manager permanently, and now the Department wants to fill the Workers' Compensation Coordinator position.

Mr. Baker asked if testing or recruiting was in progress or for clarification of what stage the recruitment is in.

Mr. Cornwell said they made the request through the NEOGOV computer system. But he does not know where the request is in the line of requests. He believed management signed off on the request though.

Ms. Eaton explained once HR gets the approval back when the electronic signature process is completed, HR can initiate the recruitment.

Mr. Cornwell said he would like to send some e-mail reminders to the appropriate people.

On motion by Anderson, seconded by Banks, request for temporary appointment of Workers' Compensation Coordinator – City Attorney was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

F. Approval of Proposed Eligible List

1. Senior Economic Development Specialist

Ms. Eaton explained there is an open-competitive list, and there are four eligible candidates on the list who have already tested and qualified for the eligible list. Mr. Clark asked if they had interviewed yet. Ms. Eaton explained candidates go to the department after the Board approves the eligible list.

On motion by Banks, seconded by Anderson, request for approval of proposed eligible list for Senior Economic Development Specialist was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

G. Request from the City Manager that the Personnel Board finds and declares that in its opinion, and in the best interest of public service, that the examination for the position listed below is both promotional and open and competitive and not restricted to persons in the Classified Service:

1. Administrative Assistant

Ms. Eaton explained this position was opened to City employees, and HR has five applicants. When the exam was given, three were no-shows, two people took the exam, and one passed.

Ms. Mitchell confirmed out of the initial applicants, only one person took and passed promotional, so it was opened up.

On motion by Anderson, seconded by Baker, Request from the City Manager that the Personnel Board finds and declares that in its opinion, and in the best interest of public service, that the examination for the position of Administrative

Assistant is both promotional and open and competitive and not restricted to persons in the Classified Service was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

There are no requests, pursuant to Sections 1010 and 1103 of the Compton City Charter, to consider proposed amendments to the Position Classification Plan.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

There are no requests, pursuant to Section 1101 (a) 6 of the Compton City Charter to hold public hearings to consider requests to exempt positions from the Classified Service for a period not to exceed (6) months.

### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Mr. Ulysses Terry asked the Board where the background information was regarding topics at these meetings such as for temporary requests: how long the positions are open and how many months it is appointed for, six months, three months. He asked if the information could be supplied in the future so the public could have the background information in advance of the meeting.

Ms. Rugley thought the agenda package was already in the lobby area, but Mr. Terry said the agenda was there, but it was not accompanied by backup information. He thought the information would be in the hallway or the lobby prior to the meeting.

Ms. Eaton said the full packages could be put out there too and made available.

### **PERSONNEL BOARD COMMENTS**

Mr. Baker asked for more information on his earlier question regarding the items that were pulled and wanted to know the status of the items that were not anticipated to return to the Board. Ms. Eaton explained for the request to abolish the eligible list for Maintenance Worker II and Maintenance Leadworker, the department manager who originally requested to abolish the list changed his mind. So this request may or may not come back to the Board in the future. She was not sure what the issues were that he wishes to address. So it may or may not come back to the Board.

Mr. Clark said he thinks it his duty to get rid of these temporary positions and fulfill the positions full time. The only way for the City to grow is to have full-time employees that are dedicated to help the city grow and mature. He said it feels like a revolving door on the Board as there are some temporary positions that need to be filled, and they continue to be filled on that basis.

Mr. Clark said through his research he learned that the longer the temporary employees are extended, it costs the City money. These employees get medical coverage, and this costs the City money. Furthermore, most businesses clean the top half because the medical is so expensive to have a part-time employee receiving benefits. It seems like the effort is not being made to fill these slots.

Mr. Clark did not know if the blame rests with possibly the department directors or the City Manager or HR or the Personnel Board or someone else, but sooner or later the Personnel Board needs to take a stand and say departments will not receive temporary appointments anymore; the Board wants the positions filled. The Board should stop the revolving door. He said it feels like in Juvenile Court seeing the same kids return over and over, people coming in for temporary positions; and it has got to stop somewhere. Someone needs to be held accountable for those positions.

Ms. Mitchell had several comments. First, she was glad to be at the meeting and wished everyone a happy new year.

Secondly, she said it felt very strange not to have the HR Director sitting with the Board.

Thirdly, she told Mr. Terry that the backup written material would be available. She thought that had been done. She understood the request and realizes departments need to move people into positions and just to be mindful when the public comes, they do want to have that. It will be made available.

Mr. Baker noted a lot of fire personnel attended the meeting and invited them to talk to the Board if they had a topic they wanted to discuss. No one accepted his invitation.

Additionally, Mr. Baker wished everyone a happy new year.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

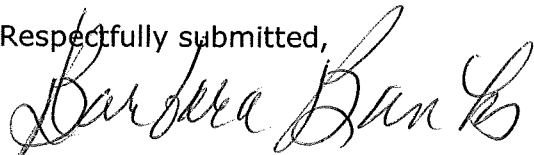
On motion by Baker, seconded by Banks the Personnel Board agreed to adjourn the meeting by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

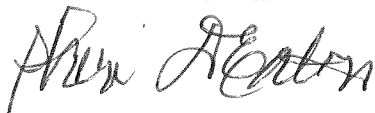
Meeting adjourned 6:51 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,



BARBARA BANKS, VICE CHAIRPERSON  
PERSONNEL BOARD



SHERI D. EATON  
ACTING CLERK TO THE PERSONNEL BOARD

Next Regular Personnel Board Meeting, Thursday, February 17, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.



PERSONNEL BOARD - CITY OF COMPTON  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - COMPTON CITY HALL  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 17, 2011

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Personnel Board of the City of Compton held a meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2011, in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 205 South Willowbrook Avenue, Compton, California. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barbara Banks at 6:10 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Baker.

**ROLL CALL**

|                         |                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| MEMBERS PRESENT:        | Charlene Anderson, Douglas Clark,<br>Ernest Baker, Barbara Banks                                                                             |
| MEMBERS ABSENT:         | Margaret Mitchell                                                                                                                            |
| STAFF PRESENT:          | Ruth Rugley, Chief Deputy City Attorney,<br>Legal Advisor to the Board<br><br>Sheri Eaton, Personnel Analyst<br>Clerk to the Personnel Board |
| CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: | Willie Norfleet, City Manager<br>David Hewitt, Assistant City Manager                                                                        |

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

December 9, 2010 - Special Meeting  
December 16, 2010 - Regular Meeting  
January 20, 2011 - Regular Meeting

On motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Baker, minutes were approved for December 9th, 2010, the special meeting.

On motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Baker, minutes were approved for December 16, 2010, the regular meeting.

On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Clark, minutes were approved for the January 20, 2011, the regular meeting.

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

### A. Report of Temporary Positions as of January 31, 2011

On motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Clark, the Personnel Board received and filed the Report of Temporary Positions as of January 31, 2011, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Clark, Banks  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - Mitchell

### B. Report of Exempt Positions as of January 31st, 2011

On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Clark, the Personnel Board received and filed the Report of Exempt Positions as of January 31st, 2011, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Clark, Banks  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - Mitchell

### C. Request for Temporary Appointment

#### 1. Account Clerk I - Water

Mr. Michael Harvey from the Water Department spoke to the Board in regards to request for Account Clerk I.

At the present time, the Water Department has lost over six employees in the last 3 months; 4 due to retirement, one is out on medical leave right now, and another one is on an unpaid leave. So the Water Department is down almost six employees.

The Account Clerk I retired back in November and they've had some opportunity with personnel and getting this on for the Board.

The reason why the Water Department is asking for a temporary appointment is that this position is not going to be in our budget in July of next year. Right now, it's walking through the budgetary process.

They looked at the organization and how things need to be set. They need more front counter people to administer service to our citizens.

So at the present time, they have a backlog of work that needs to be completed. It needs to be processed.

So right now, they do need some assistance because right now they are down on staff; they're down almost 50 percent between all of the divisions in the front office.

So they're asking for this so they can be caught up because they don't anticipate that maybe next years' budget -- as they've submitted their budgets, so far, this position will be changed next year. So they don't want to put somebody on June 30th, have to relieve them and let them go.

Board Member Baker asked do they have anyone in mind at this time or somebody that is off.

Mr. Harvey responded no, we don't. That's why we are trying to utilize looking and contact certain people who are on the Account Clerk I list in the interim part time. I mean on a temporary basis. Right now we have nobody in the position. The position has been vacant since November. The work is major backlogged. We are trying to catch up. It's kind of hard when you are down so many people.

Mr. Baker motioned, seconded by Ms. Anderson, to approve a temporary request for Account Clerk I in the Water Department by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Clark, Banks  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - Mitchell

#### E. Approval of Proposed Eligible List

1. Recreation Leader
2. Community Center Director
3. Mechanic
4. Firefighter

Ms. Eaton explained that there is one name on the Recreation Leader promotional list and there are five names on the open competitive list.

Ms. Eaton states the next item is Community Center Director pending no appeals. And there is one name on the promotional list and there are three names on the open competitive list.

Ms. Eaton states the next item is Mechanic and there are three names; one name on the promotional list and three names on the open competitive list.

Ms. Eaton states the last one is Firefighter pending no appeals and there are 53 names on that list.

Mr. Clark asks the Firefighter you said 53 names on that list?

Ms. Eaton replies, yes, 53 names on that list.

Mr. Clark asks how many vacancies?

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Ms. Eaton replies, there are ten.

Ms. Banks asks the Board is there a motion to approve the proposed eligible lists for Recreation Leader, Community Center Director, Mechanic, and Firefighter pending no appeal.

Ms. Anderson motions the Board approval of eligible lists for Recreation Leader, Community Center Director pending no appeals, Mechanic, and the Fire Department pending no appeal.

Ms. Banks stated I will just like to correct the motion that I asked for. I did not add "pending no appeals" for the Community Center Director. So I would like to add that in the record, please. And can you restate the motion.

On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Clark, the eligible lists were approved for Recreation Leader, Community Center Director pending no appeals, Mechanic and Firefighter pending no appeals.

Ms. Banks notes the second that we approve the proposed eligible list for Recreation Leader, Community Center Director pending no appeals, Mechanic, Firefighter pending no appeals. It was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Clark, Banks  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - Mitchell

F. Request from the City Manager that the Personnel Board finds and declares that in its opinion, and in the best interest of public service, that the examination for the position listed below is both promotional and open and competitive and not restricted to persons in the Classified Service:

1. Workers' Compensation Claim Administrator Coordinator

Mr. Craig Cornwell, City Attorney, states position of Workers' Compensation Coordinator falls in his Department.

Mr. Cornwell states he would like to make a presentation if that's okay. The workers' compensation, the City of Compton, has a self-insured, self-administered workers' compensation program. So they handle the program in-house.

This position requires a California Self-Insurance Administrator's license. I've surveyed my office and there's no one that has that license that is a current employee or permanent employee for the City.

The person as of last, I made the request at the last meeting, I have a temporary person currently in the position. The positions below workers' comp coordinator do not have a license. The license also requires 30 hours of continued education once it's received.

So our belief is that there's few to no employees in the City that would have this license that would allow them to test for this position.

If that's not correct, we'll still have a promotional aspect to the examination, but we'd like to open the competitiveness to make sure we have enough candidates to test for the position.

Ms. Anderson inquires is there currently someone in the position working in the position right now? What is the time frame to test the certification that you spoke about? I mean is it impossible to suggest that employees that might be familiar with the position have -- you know, some type of time line to get the certification? Would that be feasible or it would be a conflict with the mechanics?

Mr. Cornwell responds once you're in the position, you must have a license to be in the position. So the current job's aspect does not allow for a time period which to achieve the position. They must have it going in.

Ms. Anderson inquires is there someone currently from the City in the position?

Mr. Cornwell responds there's a temporary appointment to the position that has the license. But he tests for the permanent. It would be from the outside.

Ms. Anderson states she understands but he is not promotional. The person who is temporary seeking is not currently a City employee?

Mr. Cornwell responds not a permanent City employee. And our Risk Manager has the license but that position is higher than the workers' coordinator.

Ms. Anderson says I understand.

Ms. Banks asks the Board any other questions? Thank you.

Mr. Clark makes a motion for the request for the City Manager that we accept his request for Workers' Compensation Claim Administration both promotional opening and competitiveness and no restrictions to persons in the Classified service.

Ms. Rugley states for purposes of the record, the charter doesn't require that the Board actually find and declare. So perhaps if the Board would be kind enough to word its motions in such a manner for the record. His motion is that this Board finds and declares that it would be in the best interest of the City to have this examination both open and promotion.

Mr. Clark withdraws his last statement.

Mr. Clark motions, and is seconded by Ms. Anderson, to request from the City Manager that the Personnel Board find and declare that in our opinion in the best interests of public

service require examination for the position of workers' compensation claims administrator both promotional open and competitive and not restricted to persons in the Classification.

Ms. Banks states it has been moved and seconded that the Board finds and declares that in the best interest of public service that examination for the position that's below which is Workers' Compensation Claim Administrator be vested both promotional open and competitive and not restricted to the persons in the Classified services. It was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Clark, Banks

NOES: Board Members - None

ABSENT: Board Members - Mitchell

Ms. Eaton states the next item on the agenda is a request to reschedule appeal hearing dates for Charles Nelson regarding a suspension continuation. She spoke with both of the attorneys in the case and the next date he is scheduled to continue is on the 24th which is next Thursday and they also submitted three additional dates for March the 9th but we cannot hold it on March the 9th. The Planning Commission meets on the second Wednesday of the month and the additional dates besides that, they submitted is March 16th and March 23rd.

Ms. Banks asked how many dates they think that we need to get through this hearing.

Ms. Eaton responded they hoped they should have it wrapped within the next three days. Hopefully it's less. They want to reschedule just in case.

Ms. Banks asked can you repeat those dates. I know you said the 24th of next week.

Ms. Eaton responded March the 16th which is a Wednesday and March 23rd which is a Wednesday. And normally we would hold those hearings on Thursday. They need them to be on Wednesday because one of the witnesses is having complications on Thursday night and need to come in on Wednesday.

Ms. Anderson states Thursday. We can get it done by the 23rd.

Ms. Banks states she believes she has a hearing on the 24th but possibly she can be here. She's not sure but, if they have a quorum, I'm sure Mr. Baker and Mr. Clark. Ms. Banks states she may not be available on the 16th of March.

Ms. Eaton asked if they're speaking to the chair on April on those dates.

Ms. Banks responds the chair will be available on these days. We'll schedule for those dates.

Ms. Eaton puts on the record the dates that are scheduled for the Charles Nelson suspension continuation are February 24th, March 16th and March 23rd. Thank you.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Ms. Eaton stated the next item on the agenda is Public Hearing for the Personnel Board pursuant to Section 1010 and 1103 of the Compton City Charter and they will consider proposed amendments to the position classification plan for Director of Housing, Deputy Director of Housing, Customer Service Representative and Fire Engineer.

Ms. Banks inquires if there's anyone here that would like to speak on any of these positions, first, maybe Director of Housing in the Housing Department. Is there anyone hear that would like to speak on the Deputy Director of Housing in the Housing Department? Is there anyone here that would like to speak on Customer Service Representative in the Water Department?

Ms. Banks states we need to open up the public hearing. She inquires is there a motion to open the Public Hearing pursuant to Sections 1010 and 1103 of the Compton City Charter to consider proposed amendments to the position classification plan of Director of Housing, Deputy Director of Housing, Customer Service Representative, and Firefighter, Fire Engineer.

Ms. Anderson motions, seconded by Mr. Clark, to open the public hearing pursuant to Sections 1010 and 1103 of the Compton City Charter consider proposing the position classification plan for Director of Housing, Deputy Director of Housing Customer Service Representative and Fire Engineer.

Ms. Banks states it's been moved and seconded that we open the public hearing pursuant to Section 1010 and 1103 of the Compton City Charter to propose amendments to the positions classification plan again of Director of Housing, Deputy Director of Housing Customer Service Representative and Fire Engineer. It was approved by the following vote on roll call:

|         |                                               |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------|
| AYES:   | Board Members - Anderson, Clark, Baker, Banks |
| NOES:   | Board Members - None                          |
| ABSENT: | Board Members - Mitchell                      |

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Ms. Banks inquires if anyone would like to speak on Director of Housing, Deputy of Director of Housing, and Customer Service Representative.

Mr. Michael Harvey, from the Water Department, addressed the Board. What are in front of you are the classification changes to the Customer Service Representative. If you remember for all of last year, we did all these classification changes. This one slipped through the cracks and was never brought from the few. So we're bringing it in front of you. We have to reopen it. We need to fill it and we haven't been able to get them through the new classification. It has not been adopted by this Board yet to move it forward. What are in front of you are the consultant's reasons for the changes. We have

reviewed them and looked over them. And we consider them to be acceptable to our department.

Right now we are the only ones with a customer serve rep. So these are in front of you for your adoption and approval so we can move them to the next level so that we can start recruiting for the openings that we have within our department.

Ms. Anderson asks if this is the position for the account clerk that we spoke of earlier.

Mr. Harvey responds yes, it is that.

Mr. Clark states he was reading the revised requirements for the position, operations, policies and procedures for customer service representative coming off the street. He asked if they would have access to that knowledge at that particular time or would they not.

Mr. Harvey answers they may have basic information but what it is they have an understanding because all of our rules and regulations for the Water Department are set within the rules and regulations. So they have to know where they are, how to access, meaning that we have the documentations, but all of our rules that we set up for our policies i.e. what prepayments are required, what costs are, how are we setting up whether the application, why do we have applications. All of those are set up. They need to have a basic knowledge where to find them at which we can help them with for more of an understanding and knowledge to know where to look for them.

Ms. Banks asks any questions? Thank you, Mr. Harvey.

Ms. Banks inquires if there is anyone here for the Fire Engineer.

Jon Thompson, Fire Chief, addresses the Board. I'm the Fire Chief. Before you there's a classification change for the position of Fire Engineer. This is the tenure position. This individual is going to be responsible in driving, and operating a heavy fire engine and trucks.

Currently we have about 12 for the position with two possible retirements coming. We need to do a recruitment. I went over and I saw some changes that needed. One is that there's with respect the way it was configured, would leave our recruitment up to 3 to 5 people. Whereas if we opened it up and made some changes while at the same time not lesser compromising the skill sets needed, we do that and now with this change probably have a field of about 11 or 12 individuals that would need to take the test.

And not only that, if you look in the past test, when the test was handled, the individual wasn't required to form a technical part. The test was skill. We couldn't really offer the type of skill set.

The previous individual that had the test done felt that they were relieving the engineer. From time to time it was sufficient -- we feel they might be relieving the engineer, they

might have been one for 10, 15-years the skill set that could have done it on the weekend not doing it regularly. At least this way, we are able to offer the skill set.

It has been referred with the Local 2216 which is the Fire Department and we feel that this works out best for the Fire department and the City.

On motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Ms. Anderson, the Board voted to close the public hearing by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Clark, Banks  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - Mitchell

Ms. Banks inquires is there a motion to approve the position classifications plan for Director of Housing, Deputy Director of Housing in the Housing Department, Customer Service position in Water Department and Fire Engineer in the Fire Department?

On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Clark, the Board voted to accept the proposed amendments to the Position Classification Plan for Director of Housing, Deputy Director of Housing, Customer Service Representative and Fire Engineer pursuant to Section 1111 and 1103 Compton City Charter by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Clark, Banks  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - Mitchell

### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Craig Cornwell, city attorney's office. Mr. Cornwell stated he'd like to speak briefly about disciplinary hearings. In way of background years, years ago my office could have a member advise you during the hearings and have another attorney present the case as long as that attorney had no dealings with being on the Board and vice versa. What's called create a word to prevent any conflict of interest. That law has changed. A few years back. So now we have to choose between being your advisor and presenting the case. And that's why the cases you've seen recently we've had an outside attorney and are continuing with my chief deputies being the advisor to the Board.

I'm assuming you're frustrated. I've been frustrated as well with the length of time of hearings, and it's been quite costly for me to have the outside attorney do their due diligence as well as present the case, the time in the hearings, as well as time spent outside of the hearings.

So I'm considering with future hearings coming forward to have the outside counsel be the advisor and have our office present the matters and one of our -- if that comes to past, one of our issues would be to expedite it as quickly as possible.

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Your times quite valuable and we want to be able to present the information clear and concise, as possibly impede upon several days of your time.

So I just wanted to give you the heads up you may not see someone you're familiar with during the disciplinary hearing. But of those are the issues financial and time and consumption is just something I'm concerned with continually. I just wanted to make that comment and have a good evening.

Mr. Baker states as a matter of fact, the City I'm glad you've spoken. It was my concern like I said everybody has due process and some of these cases I feel I'm here to serve. Don't get me wrong, I don't mind at all -- strictly too much of our time and City time, the City benefits from most of it. The personnel matters. We are just not briefly commissioned. Just a note on my behalf. Nothing personal.

Ms. Banks states she would like to thank you all for allowing her to chair and apologizes for being late.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

There was no discussion for closed session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Anderson, the Personnel Board agreed to adjourn the meeting by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Clark, Banks

NOES: Board Members - None

ABSENT: Board Members - Mitchell

Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



BARBARA BANKS  
ACTING CHAIRPERSON  
PERSONNEL BOARD



SHERI D. EATON  
PERSONNEL ANALYST  
CLERK TO THE PERSONNEL BOARD

PERSONNEL BOARD – CITY OF COMPTON  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – COMPTON CITY HALL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 17, 2011

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Personnel Board of the City of Compton held a meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2011, in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 205 South Willowbrook Avenue, Compton, California. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Margaret Mitchell at 6:06 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Banks.

**ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charlene Anderson, Douglas Clark, Ernest Baker, Barbara Banks, Margaret Mitchell

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Ruth Rugley, Chief Deputy City Attorney  
Legal Advisor to the Board

Sheri Eaton, Interim Human Resources  
Director, Clerk to the Personnel Board

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

February 17, 2011 – Regular Meeting

On motion by Baker, seconded by Clark, approval of minutes for the February 17, 2011, Regular Meeting, was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Oral and Written Communications, Reports, and Requests
  - A. Report of Temporary Positions as of February 28, 2011

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On motion by Banks, seconded by Baker, request to receive and file Report of Temporary Positions as of February 28, 2011, was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

## B. Report of Exempt Positions as of February 28, 2011

On motion by Baker, seconded by Clark, request to receive and file Report of Exempt Positions as of February 28, 2011, was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

## C. Requests for Temporary Appointments - Item was pulled

1. Water Service Worker II – Water
2. Deputy City Attorney II – City Attorney

## D. Approval of Proposed Eligible List

1. Fire Fighter

Ms. Eaton explained the list for Firefighter was approved last month, but two applicants did not receive veterans' credits which will change positions on the list, so the request needed to be brought back to the Board for approval again.

On motion by Banks, seconded by Anderson, request for approval of proposed eligible list of firefighter was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

## 2. Administrative Assistant (pending no appeals)

Ms. Eaton explained the Administrative Assistant list (pending no appeals) has three names on the promotion list and nine names on the open-competitive list.

On motion by Anderson, seconded by Banks, request for approval of proposed eligible list of Administrative Assistant (pending no appeals) was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None

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ABSENT: Board Members - None

- E. Request for Extension of Eligible Lists
1. Accounting Technician (2<sup>nd</sup> extension, open-competitive, 7 candidates)
  2. Deputy City Attorney III (1<sup>st</sup> extension, open-competitive, 10 candidates)
  3. Internal Auditor (1<sup>st</sup> extension, open-competitive, 2 candidates)
  4. Labor Relations Analyst (1<sup>st</sup> extension, open-competitive, 3 candidates)
  5. Paratransit Driver (1<sup>st</sup> extension, open-competitive, 2 candidates)
  6. PBX Operator/Clerk II (2<sup>nd</sup> extension, open-competitive, 4 candidates)

Ms. Anderson asked regarding the positions that have fewer than three candidates, if the budget would allow for any of those to be opened up again. Ms. Eaton explained the budget is being looked at, and there is a possibility that some layoffs may occur. That is why requests were made to extend the list, so in the event that some of these positions end up coming back, the eligible list will be ready, and requested that they be extended for up to six months.

On motion by Anderson, seconded by Banks, request for extension of Eligible Lists for Accounting Technician (2<sup>nd</sup> extension, open-competitive, 7 candidates); Deputy City Attorney III (1<sup>st</sup> extension, open-competitive, 10 candidates); Internal Auditor (1<sup>st</sup> extension, open-competitive, 2 candidates); Labor Relations Analyst (1<sup>st</sup> extension, open-competitive, 3 candidates); Paratransit Driver (1<sup>st</sup> extension, open-competitive, 2 candidates); PBX Operator/Clerk II (2<sup>nd</sup> extension, open-competitive, 4 candidates) was approved by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
 NOES: Board Members - None  
 ABSENT: Board Members - None

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

There are no requests, pursuant to Sections 1010 and 1103 of the Compton City Charter, to consider proposed amendments to the Position Classification Plan.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

There are no requests, pursuant to Section 1101 (a) 6 of the Compton City Charter to hold public hearings to consider requests to exempt positions from the Classified Service for a period not to exceed (6) months.

### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

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Mr. Fernando Benitez, an ambulance operator with Compton for over three years and a reserve firefighter for Compton for over a year and a half, addressed the Board. He said that he was on a leave of absence and was further preparing himself as a firefighter candidate, paying his own way through paramedic school, because he wants to be the best possible candidate for the firefighter position.

Mr. Benitez asked that the Firefighter list not be approved because he had applied with the City of Compton and was not accepted on the first go-round. On the second go-round, he did not get a notice to take the test, however, all the other candidates did. This resulted in him scrambling for the opportunity. He explained he is in paramedic training currently and cannot miss days, but he did not get a notice which he thought everyone else had gotten.

Mr. Benitez said that he felt he should have received a notice, but he did not receive a notice. He thought he would receive notification via mail or e-mail saying he was scheduled for a particular day, and the test will be at this time, and study these materials. He decided to just show up and check on the status of the test. At that time, he was told if people scheduled did not show up for the test, he would be allowed to take it then. So while he had the opportunity to take the test, he felt he was unprepared as he was not informed of any topics that would be covered. As such, he felt he did not do as well as he could have, had he had the chance to prepare and study in advance.

Also, Mr. Benitez said the flyer said the test would be 2 ½ hours long, but candidates were given only 2 hours. He said without prior preparation the extra half hour could have resulted in obtaining a higher score.

In addition, Mr. Benitez explained that he had a few friends who scored in the top ten, but they had never been to Compton, never drove through the City, and took no pride in the City. In comparison, he explained that he has worked for several years in the City in two positions putting his life on the line. While these people were his friends, he stated they were also his competitors for this test, and they do not have pride in Compton like he does. He said he takes much pride in the City and loves it and wants to be in Compton.

Mr. Benitez said he did not know why he did not receive notification of the test. To his knowledge, he had completed the application correctly. He was certain had he received notification of date, time, length of time allowed, and materials covered, he would have done much better. On test day, he showed up on time and got to slide into a seat when some candidates did not show up. He did not know what the test was going to cover, but he took it anyway.

Mr. Benitez said he missed it by a few points and had scrambled at the end and was disappointed that he had not received the notice.

Ms. Anderson asked Mr. Benitez if he had sent in any kind of appeal. Mr. Benitez said he did. While he did not recall the exact date, he remembered he had sent an e-mail forwarding his original e-mail to three or four persons and stated he did not receive any feedback.

Mr. Clark asked if Mr. Benitez had notified anyone in the firefighters union to see what action they might be able to take on his behalf. Mr. Benitez said he did not.

Ms. Mitchell thanked Mr. Benitez for everything he has already given to the City. Having worked and lived in the City much of her life, she appreciates anybody who serves in these capacities, and she recognizes how hard the firefighter, ambulance drivers, and paramedics work. Also, she appreciated his enthusiasm for his job. On a person-to-person basis, she said she felt for his situation.

As a body, the Board's responsibility is to make certain that civil service rules are followed, and the Board believes up to this point they were. Further, Ms. Mitchell explained that two appeals were filed, which is why the eligible list had to come back to the Board and be approved at this meeting. Unfortunately, things happen on a human level at times, and they do not feel good, and they sometimes seem unfair. However, the testing was handled within civil service rules and guidelines.

Ms. Eaton offered further clarification. She said she was the one who handled the recruitment for the firefighter exam, and most of the applicants requested to be notified by e-mail. The notification was sent out, but Personnel would not know if anybody received it on their end or not. The only proof is where the e-mails or letters were sent. She explained Personnel cannot be responsible for an e-mail not being received. That is the chance taken in e-mail communication.

Ms. Eaton explained on the day of the test, Mr. Benitez's name was on the list, and he was allowed to take it because he was on the list. The City received a few appeals about this exam, and Personnel responded to the valid appeals. That is why the eligible list was brought back to the Personnel Board again tonight.

Ms. Eaton said three or four requests received were the exact same letter with a different name. They asked for an opportunity to take the test. They did have the opportunity to take it. They did not pass it. Specifically, it was stated they thought they had 2 ½ hours to take the test. However, she explained the reference to 2 ½ hours as the exam time was not accurate. The approximated 2 ½ hours included time to give applicants instructions about the test and oral passage instructions which were read to applicants, and that left two hours to complete the test. All the exams have been a maximum of two hours. In the complaints received, applicants said they should have had 2 ½ hours to complete the test excluding instructions. The exam actually allowed 2 hours for actual testing, and the 2 ½ hour reference was for the entire testing time including instructions.

In addition, Ms. Eaton explained that during the instructional time, candidates were asked if they had any questions about the testing process, and not one of the candidates raised his hand. So no one had asked about the 2 ½-hours question that arose after the fact.

As for all the appeals, Ms. Eaton said the valid concerns were addressed while the ones that were not valid were not addressed.

Ms. Banks asked Ms. Eaton if the applicant pool submitted under the NEOGOV system, and Ms. Eaton said yes. Ms. Banks asked Mr. Benitez if he had changed his e-mail address. And Mr. Benitez said he had not changed his e-mail address.

Mr. Benitez then assured Ms. Eaton he truly did not receive a notification. Ms. Eaton said she did not doubt him on that, but sometimes e-mails have problems and are not received, citing sometimes it goes to a spam or junk mailbox. But Personnel is not responsible for him not receiving it. Personnel did send e-mail notices to all applicants qualified to take the test.

Ms. Banks asked Mr. Benitez if he had indicated on the application he wanted an e-mail response as opposed to mail. Mr. Benitez said he had indicated e-mail was his notification choice on the form.

Ms. Mitchell said while there is sympathy for Mr. Benitez's position, the Board was not able to do anything at this time. She thanked him for bringing the matter to the Board's attention.

Mr. Benitez thanked the Board for their time.

Mr. Todd Castillo addressed the Board next. He also talked about the 2 ½ hours allotted time for the test in question. He read a statement to the Board.

Mr. Castillo stated he is proud to say that he also has been working with the ambulance crew for two years, similar to Mr. Benitez. He also loves this work. He also works in real estate and has a family and is trying to pursue a position of firefighter. At \$8.00 an hour, it is hard, he said, but he loves it.

Specifically, in January he became disheartened over the test when the time allotted for test-taking was not what he thought it would be. He said his e-mail stated the test would begin at 2:30 with approximately 2 ½ hours to complete the exam but did not mention the 2 ½ hours included test distribution and instructions. However, when test-day arrived, he arrived on time and instructions were read aloud by the proctor, and the exam began. He paced himself with each question based upon the time he thought would be given. He became aware that he was not going to have enough time to read the last 12 questions in the remaining time.

Mr. Castillo felt his efforts were compromised by not receiving the full time he expected. He said the 135 minutes he actually got for testing was 15 minutes shy of the 150 stated in the e-mail he received with test information. That 15 minutes compromised his score in the end. Had he had more time, he would not have rushed. Although he understood what Ms. Eaton explained about test distribution and instructions and the 2 ½ hours did include the instructions and oral passage, he said the e-mail said the test would take approximately 2 ½, and it did not say 2 hours.

He explained he went to high school a-ways back, so he is a little slower on the math and reading portions, but he is getting there. He was close to passing but did

not. He thought if he had 15 minutes more or if he could have answered one more question correctly, that would have brought him up to passing.

Mr. Castillo said although there was not much that can be done now about it, he did not have a gripe. He still goes to work every day and loves it, cleaning the toilets and cleaning dog tracks, because he wants to get to the Compton Fire Department. He then thanked the Board for their time.

Ms. Mitchell thanked Mr. Castillo for his continued service.

Next, Mr. Benson Reed addressed the Board about the test. He said that everything he has done related to fire service has been in Compton, though currently he works in a different department in Compton. In addition, while he lives in Pasadena, he considers Compton his home.

Mr. Reed said he wanted to piggyback on Mr. Castillo's statement. While there are a lot of men that are very, very capable of becoming a firefighter and doing the duties required of that position, being a firefighter in the City of Compton requires personal care and a concern from somebody that really cares about the City. Not everyone can do that, specifically, someone that has never set foot in Compton or been to the area, somebody that does not understand the department and the City and how the people think or work. Further, many residents know that the Fire Department is the backbone of community service. The Fire Department comes to help people who are injured or sick. And if a firefighter does not have genuine care and concern, residents will not receive the best care they need.

As for the test, Mr. Reed said this was the first fire test he has failed, yet it was not from lack of preparation. He was very prepared and even paid out of his pocket for a tutor in math months in advance because he wanted to exceed any expectations he had of himself on the written test and also on the physical agility test when he was preparing.

Mr. Reed invited people to review the test, and they will see the points he and the previous two speakers made about not being allowed enough time on the test. He did not think that should be the reflection of how well any of them can do the job.

Furthermore, if he had the 2 ½ hours, he was confident he would have scored a 95 or 96 because the math portion was doable. The key for him, in hindsight, was skipping over questions he was not sure of and move to the next because each question was rated one point. He failed by three points. If he had skipped over some math questions, he would have easily gotten 10 or 15 mechanical questions right. That would have improved his score to an 80. He was sure he would have gotten half of them right.

He hoped the Board would take this situation into consideration for a future go-round. He thanked the Board for their time.

Ms. Mitchell thanked Mr. Reed for his comments. She stated as an ex-City employee and having prepared for tests, she knows how difficult it is. Specifically,

she said she would prepare for weeks or months. Much of the time taking an exam has to do with knowing how to take the test, and she would prepare herself for that too.

Ms. Mitchell explained at this point the Board cannot do anything about what has happened. But she assured the gentlemen they will have other test opportunities and suggested they use this as a learning experience regarding the actual time to take the test, read it carefully, make sure they understand what is being asked, and ask any questions; in essence take every opportunity.

Mr. Reed responded to Ms. Mitchell by saying they prepared themselves the best they could based upon the time frame they had. He cited in 2007 for a test, applicants received literature that would be on the test two or three months in advance. But for this test, applicants did not receive letters until five days before the test, and they did not know what type of test it was. They were only told to study reading comprehension, mathematics, understanding oral information, and mechanics.

Ms. Mitchell said she understood what he was saying.

Ms. Eaton said some tests come with study materials. In this case it did not.

Ms. Mitchell assured the gentlemen the Board understood what they were saying as well as the Clerk. When things happen, again, those things will be looked at. But at this point, nothing can be done about what has already transpired.

Mr. Michael Harvey, an Executive Board Member for AFSCME 2325 which represents managers, directors, deputy directors, and supervisors, addressed the Board next. He wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day. He suggested the Board be ready for many appeals if layoffs do happen as they are being talked about. He expected a lot of challenges in regards to layoffs and suggested the Board be ready for that.

Specifically, Mr. Harvey asked the City to follow the process outlined in the City Charter and in the Personnel rules and regulations. He asked only for fairness, as seniority will be a factor, and all units are going to be on the possible chopping block. He asked employees be treated fairly who have been dedicated to Compton because nobody wants to lose his job.

Mr. Harvey said as the school district is going through it, now the City is going through it too. Compton has been blessed that it has not needed to go down this road where people have had to leave. And he still hoped layoffs would not occur. Hopefully, through retirements and getting temporary vacant positions the city does not have to layoff anyone. But if there are layoffs, he wants the City to follow a process that is fair and equitable.

Mr. Harvey also informed the Board that there were no agendas in the lobby for this meeting.

Mr. Ulysses Terry addressed the Board next. Mr. Terry explained he addressed the Board two or three months back and requested back-up information be placed out in the lobby prior to the meeting. He noticed today it was not there.

Mr. Terry asked if the Board had a list of the temporary positions under "New Business 1-A" as well as a list for the exempt positions. Ms. Eaton explained those two reports are Personnel related so they would not actually be seen by the audience. They are only seen by Personnel Board Members, and that is why it is not in the book outside.

Mr. Terry asked if they could post the positions since it is a report. Ms. Eaton explained the report has the classifications, departments, effective dates and expirations dates, board action, vacancy, and examination status. The audience would not necessarily see that. That is reviewed by the Personnel Board only as it is an internal form.

Mr. Terry asked how the public could find out about extended positions posted, either temporary or exempt. Ms. Eaton said these reports have personnel-related information on them and therefore are not out in the lobby.

Mr. Terry asked if there were temporary positions at this time and for how long, or if he could have that information. Ms. Eaton explained according to the Charter and Personnel rules and regulations, the only last up to 90 days.

Mr. Terry asked if he would be able to see that information so he can track how long those positions are given. Ms Eaton said that was not possible because it changes from month to month. So what may be seen on here today is not necessarily the same thing. What Board Members see today is not necessarily the same thing they would see next month because it changes on the positions and how they are filled.

Mr. Terry said he would accept that, but he wanted to check further because he believed regardless of what the position is, temporary positions should be a matter of record for the public, in his opinion, not necessarily the person in that position but at least the information on the position continuing to make it temporary whether 6 months or 90 days.

In addition, Mr. Terry referred to Mr. Harvey's comment and said he was confused about what is available to the public, because he did not see backup information in the lobby other than the agenda. He asked for minutes of the previous meeting.

Ms. Eaton said minutes could have been in the book, but the report of temporary exempt position is not usually put there.

#### **PERSONNEL BOARD COMMENTS**

Ms. Anderson thanked the three gentlemen who addressed the Board about the test for firefighter for giving of their time to the City. She said she had a lot of respect

for those gentlemen. She had a personal experience last year and appreciated how hard the people involved worked to fix that situation.

Ms. Anderson also thanked Mr. Harvey for his insight and encouragement, as always, as well as his kind words and all the citizens and workers who attend these meetings who share their input and express their concern for the community.

Additionally, Mr. Clark expressed his appreciation to the three gentlemen who spoke about the Fire Department. He added he is a long advocate of maintaining the Fire Department and Police Department and noted if that kind of department leaves a city, the city loses a part of its soul. In his past personal experience calling upon the Fire Department, he said they responded admirably.

Mr. Clark spoke about potential layoffs, noting that surrounding cities had already begun massive layoffs, and some had gone so far to contract out for some city services, but he hopes Compton does not come to that. But if layoffs should occur in Compton, he is a strong advocate that part-timers are affected first before regulars. And after part-timers, personnel that fills a vacancy should be looked at. He recognizes that there is a long road ahead and hoped the City gets through this year.

Mr. Baker added his "thank you" to the gentlemen who spoke regarding the firefighter test and making their concerns known. He stated as a long-time city service employee for Los Angeles, he had taken many civil service exams and failed many for times not knowing certain portions of the exam. So he shared their concerns.

Mr. Baker added encouragement to keep on working at it, and they will get there. He noted the system may not seem fair, but it is the civil service way which must be followed as it is the law, and preferences cannot be given from one person to another.

Mr. Baker said he agreed with Mr. Harvey 100 percent. And he hoped that the Management Department realizes what is going on in the City because the City cannot afford to let that happen.

Ms. Banks also appreciated the service the three men speaking about the firefighter test have given the City and their coming forth and their passion for Compton. She hoped they still wanted to be a part of Compton and noted it sounded like they did. She believed there will be other opportunities for them in the future, and at that time they will be able to prepare a little more. She closed by thanking them for all the service that they give Compton.

Ms. Banks thanked Mr. Harvey for coming forth too and speaking. She explained she works with the school district, and there is a potential of about 400 layoffs at this time in that area, so she is particularly aware of layoff issues currently.

Ms. Mitchell echoed all the Board Members' gratitude to Mr. Benitez, Mr. Castillo, Mr. Reed, and Mr. Harvey.

In addition, she addressed Mr. Terry's comment about some previous requests that he thought were not being done. She believed the materials were in the lobby, and said if they are incomplete, the Board will get better at that in the future. She thought they were getting better. She said she understood what he was asking. Even though they try, some things do not get followed through on, but she believed the Board is getting materials out there. Ms. Eaton confirmed that the materials are being put in the lobby.

Ms. Mitchell stated that there are some materials that can go out to the general public and some that cannot. She asked Mr. Terry if the Board fails to put out information that can go out to the public, to please let them know, and they will do their best to be responsive. She encouraged him to keep on coming to the Personnel Board meetings and let them know how well they are doing.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

There was no discussion for closed session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

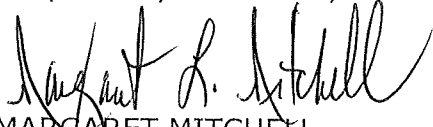
On motion by Baker, seconded by Banks the Personnel Board agreed to adjourn the meeting by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Board Members - Anderson, Baker, Banks, Clark, Mitchell  
NOES: Board Members - None  
ABSENT: Board Members - None

Meeting adjourned 7:02 p.m.

Next Regular Personnel Board Meeting, Thursday, April 21, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Respectfully submitted,

  
MARGARET MITCHELL  
CHAIRPERSON  
PERSONNEL BOARD

  
SHERI D. EATON  
PERSONNEL ANALYST  
CLERK TO THE PERSONNEL BOARD



DATE: JUNE 08, 2011  
TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS  
FROM: CITY TREASURER  
SUBJECT: INVESTMENT REPORT

IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW AND THE CITY'S  
INVESTMENT POLICY, THE ATTACHED REPORTS ACCURATELY  
REFLECTS ALL POOLED INVESTMENTS HELD ON BEHALF OF THE  
CITY AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS OF MARCH, 2011 AND  
APRIL, 2011

DOUGLAS SANDERS  
CITY TREASURER

**City of Compton  
Portfolio Management  
Portfolio Summary  
March 31, 2011**

| Investments                      | Par Value            | Market Value         | Book Value           | % of Portfolio | Term     | Days to Maturity | YTM 360 Equiv. | YTM 365 Equiv. |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Passbook/Checking Accounts -2    | 302,543.82           | 302,543.82           | 302,543.82           | 2.50           | 1        | 1                | 4.932          | 5.000          |
| Manage Pool & Money Mkt Accounts | 735,010.86           | 735,010.86           | 735,010.86           | 6.06           | 1        | 1                | 1.617          | 1.640          |
| Local Agency Investment Fund     | 11,085,759.08        | 11,085,759.08        | 11,085,759.08        | 91.44          | 1        | 1                | 2.547          | 2.582          |
| <b>Investments</b>               | <b>12,123,313.76</b> | <b>12,123,313.76</b> | <b>12,123,313.76</b> | <b>100.00%</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b>         | <b>2.550</b>   | <b>2.585</b>   |

**Total Earnings** **March 31 Month Ending** **Fiscal Year To Date**

Current Year 28,613.81 108,263.89

Average Daily Balance 12,934,485.10

Effective Rate of Return 2.60%

I certify that this report reflects all pooled investments and is in conformity with the investment policy adopted by the City Council. (Gov Code 53646(b)(3)) The monthly investment report must state the all of the Agency to meet its expenditure requirements for the next six months or provide an explanation of why sufficient cash funds may or may not be available. The Investment program may not plie sufficient cash to meet six months of estimated expenditures, although cash revenue has somewhat improved last month the City still has high expenditures vs low revenues. On December 20, 2010 and April 20, 2011; the City receives its major source of revenue, property tax revenue and DMV fees. Our State's economy shows some signs of improvement, however the Governor has a proposal on the table to deal with California's Budget Deficit, which could have a major impact on the City's revenue. As of December 2010 upon receipt of the property tax revenue a majority of the Sheriff payments have been made, approximately 80%. However the City still faces major revenue constraints, which affects our ability to meet some expenditure payments. Also in the last 3 to 4 years the return on the investments have been exceptionally low due to ridiculously low interest rates in the market place and at this time there are no signs of any rated increase by the Federal Reserve. The pricing of securities is done by Union Bank and Interactive Data Services, Moody Investor Service rates the State Pooles Accounts AAA.

Douglas Sanders, City Treasurer

**Treasury Rates as of 03/31/11**

03 months --- 0.0930  
06 months --- 0.1753  
12 months --- 0.2892

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**City of Compton**  
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**Portfolio Details - Investments**  
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| CUSIP                                       | Investment # | Issuer                         | Average Balance   | Purchase Date | Par Value         | Market Value      | Book Value | Stated Rate | Moody's | YTM 360      | Days to Maturity | Maturity Date |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|---------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>Passbook/Checking Accounts -2</b>        |              |                                |                   |               |                   |                   |            |             |         |              |                  |               |
| SYS4000                                     | 4000         | Neighborhood Improvement       |                   |               | 302,543.82        | 302,543.82        | 302,543.82 | 5.000       |         | 4.932        | 1                |               |
|                                             |              | <b>Subtotal and Average</b>    | <b>302,543.82</b> |               | <b>302,543.82</b> | <b>302,543.82</b> |            |             |         | <b>4.932</b> | <b>1</b>         |               |
| <b>Manage Pool &amp; Money Mkt Accounts</b> |              |                                |                   |               |                   |                   |            |             |         |              |                  |               |
| SYS5003                                     | 5003         | Residential Rehab Money Market |                   |               | 329.23            | 329.23            | 329.23     | 1.300       |         | 1.300        | 1                |               |
| SYS5004                                     | 5004         | Formal Assurance Prg Money Mkt |                   |               | 122,485.57        | 122,485.57        | 122,485.57 | 1.300       |         | 1.300        | 1                |               |
| SYS5005                                     | 5005         | Rental Rehab Prg Money Market  |                   |               | 202.37            | 202.37            | 202.37     | 1.300       |         | 1.300        | 1                |               |
| SYS5001                                     | 5001         | 5116 Highmark Fund             |                   |               | 420,988.16        | 420,988.16        | 420,988.16 | 1.680       |         | 1.680        | 1                |               |
| SYS5006                                     | 5006         | 1001 HIGHMARK FUND             |                   |               | 178,266.12        | 178,266.12        | 178,266.12 | 1.680       |         | 1.680        | 1                |               |
| SYS5010                                     | 5010         | UMB Corporate Trust Services   |                   |               | 12,739.41         | 12,739.41         | 12,739.41  | 1.730       |         | 1.730        | 1                |               |
| SYS5002                                     | 5002         | 1001 Wells Fargo Money Market  |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00       | 3.040       |         | 3.040        | 1                |               |
|                                             |              | <b>Subtotal and Average</b>    | <b>734,956.40</b> |               | <b>735,010.86</b> | <b>735,010.86</b> |            |             |         | <b>1.617</b> | <b>1</b>         |               |

**Local Agency Investment Fund**

|         |      |                                |  |  |              |              |              |       |  |       |   |  |
|---------|------|--------------------------------|--|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|--|-------|---|--|
| S' 113  | 6013 | 1999 Local Law Enforcement Gra |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.001 |  | 0.001 | 1 |  |
| S' 114  | 6014 | 2000 Local Law Enforcement Gra |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.001 |  | 0.001 | 1 |  |
| SYS6020 | 6020 | 2001 Local Law Enforcement Gra |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.001 |  | 0.001 | 1 |  |
| SYS6021 | 6021 | 2002 Local Law Enforcement Gra |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.001 |  | 0.001 | 1 |  |
| SYS6023 | 6023 | 2003 Local Law Enforcement Gr  |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.001 |  | 0.001 | 1 |  |
| SYS6026 | 6026 | 2004 Local Law Enforcement Gra |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.001 |  | 0.001 | 1 |  |
| SYS6007 | 6007 | 4000 CRA                       |  |  | 26,498.15    | 26,498.15    | 26,498.15    | 2.770 |  | 2.732 | 1 |  |
| SYS6019 | 6019 | 1641 EDA Revolving Loan        |  |  | 432,674.67   | 432,674.67   | 432,674.67   | 1.510 |  | 1.489 | 1 |  |
| SYS6012 | 6012 | General City EMS               |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 5.230 |  | 5.158 | 1 |  |
| SYS6000 | 6000 | 1001 General City              |  |  | 544,420.94   | 544,420.94   | 544,420.94   | 1.510 |  | 1.489 | 1 |  |
| SYS6028 | 6028 | 2818 HUD SECTION 108           |  |  | 3,211,141.18 | 3,211,141.18 | 3,211,141.18 | 2.770 |  | 2.732 | 1 |  |
| SYS6006 | 6006 | 1300 Land Sales CRA            |  |  | 9,410.12     | 9,410.12     | 9,410.12     | 2.770 |  | 2.732 | 1 |  |
| SYS6004 | 6004 | 2820 Local Housing Authority   |  |  | 61,805.36    | 61,805.36    | 61,805.36    | 1.510 |  | 1.489 | 1 |  |
| SYS6001 | 6001 | 6400 Liability                 |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.000 |  | 0.000 | 1 |  |
| SYS6010 | 6010 | 1031 Local Law Enforcement     |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 5.230 |  | 5.158 | 1 |  |
| SYS6011 | 6011 | 1203 CRA Low Cost Housing      |  |  | 3,078,238.84 | 3,078,238.84 | 3,078,238.84 | 2.770 |  | 2.732 | 1 |  |
| SYS6009 | 6009 | 9203 Public Finance Auth.      |  |  | 30,881.18    | 30,881.18    | 30,881.18    | 2.770 |  | 2.732 | 1 |  |
| SYS6002 | 6002 | 1900 PROP C                    |  |  | 516,112.59   | 516,112.59   | 516,112.59   | 1.510 |  | 1.489 | 1 |  |
| SYS6022 | 6022 | REGIONAL PARK                  |  |  | 2,717,004.87 | 2,717,004.87 | 2,717,004.87 | 2.770 |  | 2.732 | 1 |  |
| SYS6027 | 6027 | 2615 River Mountain Conservanc |  |  | 11,655.56    | 11,655.56    | 11,655.56    | 1.510 |  | 1.489 | 1 |  |
| SYS6008 | 6008 | 1500 Rosecrans Redevelopment   |  |  | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.00         | 0.000 |  | 0.000 | 1 |  |
| SYS6003 | 6003 | 5116 Sewer Bond Proceeds       |  |  | 86,751.29    | 86,751.29    | 86,751.29    | 1.510 |  | 1.489 | 1 |  |
| SYS6005 | 6005 | 1200 Surplus Tax               |  |  | 359,164.33   | 359,164.33   | 359,164.33   | 2.770 |  | 2.732 | 1 |  |

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| CUSIP | Investment #         | Issuer | Average<br>Balance | Purchase<br>Date | Par Value     | Market Value  | Book Value    | Stated<br>Rate | Moody's | YTM   | Days to<br>360 Maturity |
|-------|----------------------|--------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------|-------|-------------------------|
|       | Subtotal and Average |        | 11,896,984.89      |                  | 11,085,759.08 | 11,085,759.08 | 11,085,759.08 |                |         | 2.547 | 1                       |
|       | Total and Average    |        | 12,934,485.10      |                  | 12,123,313.76 | 12,123,313.76 | 12,123,313.76 |                |         | 2.550 | 1                       |

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|                                                 | March 31 Month Ending | Fiscal Year To Date |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>CD/Coupon/Discount Investments:</b>          |                       |                     |
| Interest Collected                              | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Plus Accrued Interest at End of Period          | 10,159.70             | 10,159.70           |
| Less Accrued Interest at Beginning of Period    | ( 10,159.70)          | ( 10,159.70)        |
| Less Accrued Interest at Purchase During Period | ( 0.00)               | ( 0.00)             |
| Interest Earned during Period                   | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Adjusted by Capital Gains or Losses             | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Earnings during Periods                         | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| <b>Pass Through Securities:</b>                 |                       |                     |
| Interest Collected                              | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Plus Accrued Interest at End of Period          | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Less Accrued Interest at Beginning of Period    | ( 0.00)               | ( 0.00)             |
| Less Accrued Interest at Purchase During Period | ( 0.00)               | ( 0.00)             |
| Interest Earned during Period                   | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Adjusted by Premiums and Discounts              | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Adjusted by Capital Gains or Losses             | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Earnings during Periods                         | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| <b>Cash/Checking Accounts:</b>                  |                       |                     |
| Interest Collected                              | 56.28                 | 82,922.55           |
| Plus Accrued Interest at End of Period          | 276,250.99            | 276,250.99          |
| Less Accrued Interest at Beginning of Period    | ( 247,693.46)         | ( 250,909.65)       |
| Interest Earned during Period                   | 28,613.81             | 108,263.89          |
| Total Interest Earned during Period             | 28,613.81             | 108,263.89          |
| Total Capital Gains or Losses                   | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Total Earnings during Period                    | 28,613.81             | 108,263.89          |

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**City of Compton**  
**Received Interest**  
**Sorted by Issuer - Grouped by Fund**  
**Received March 1, 2011 - March 31, 2011**

| Issuer                            | CUSIP   | Investment # | Security Type | Par Value  | Current Rate | Date Received                 | Interest | Amount Received |
|-----------------------------------|---------|--------------|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| <b>Cash Accounts</b>              |         |              |               |            |              |                               |          |                 |
| <b>Fund: GENERAL CITY</b>         |         |              |               |            |              |                               |          |                 |
| 1001 HIGHMARK FUND                | SYS5006 | 5006         | PA1           | 178,249.18 | 1.680        | 03/31/2011                    |          | 16.94           |
|                                   |         |              |               |            |              | Subtotal                      |          | 16.94           |
|                                   |         |              |               |            |              | GENERAL CITY Subtotal         |          | 16.94           |
| <b>Fund: SEWER BONDS PROCEEDS</b> |         |              |               |            |              |                               |          |                 |
| 5116 Highmark Fund                | SYS5001 | 5001         | PA1           | 420,948.82 | 1.680        | 03/31/2011                    |          | 39.34           |
|                                   |         |              |               |            |              | Subtotal                      |          | 39.34           |
|                                   |         |              |               |            |              | SEWER BONDS PROCEEDS Subtotal |          | 39.34           |
|                                   |         |              |               |            |              | Total                         |          | 56.28           |

**CITY OF COMPTON  
BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF  
MARCH 31, 2010**

|        | NAME OF ACCOUNT            | BANK NAME        | BALANCE      |
|--------|----------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| FUND # | PAYROLL                    | WELLS FARGO BANK | 505,742.49   |
| 101    | GENERAL CITY ACCOUNT       | BANK OF THE WEST | 2,132,392.35 |
| 1001   | POLICE ASSET FORFEITURE    | BANK OF THE WEST | 2,641.93     |
| 1022   | SURPLUS TAX                | BANK OF THE WEST | 965.58       |
| 1200   | LANDSALES                  | COMERICA         | 28,165.14    |
| 1300   | PROP C                     | BANK OF THE WEST | 334.70       |
| 1900   | WIA / CAREERLINK           | BANK OF THE WEST | 6,297.61     |
| 2711   | LOCAL HOUSING AUTHORITY    | BANK OF THE WEST | 312,538.71   |
| 2820   | COMMUNITY REDVL AGENCY     | BANK OF THE WEST | 28.76        |
| 4000   | SEWER BONDS PROCEEDS       | BANK OF THE WEST | 387.73       |
| 5116   | WORKERS COMP               | BANK OF THE WEST | 88,448.15    |
| 6300   | LIABILITIES                | BANK OF THE WEST | 266,091.47   |
| 6400   | PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY   | BANK OF THE WEST | 3,410.04     |
| 9203   | EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES | BANK OF THE WEST | 184,454.31   |
| 1001   | SAVINGS BOND ACCOUNT       | WELLS FARGO BANK | 90.87        |

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| FUND # | NAME OF ACCOUNT                                 | BANK NAME        |            |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
|        | HOME LOAN PROGRAM                               | BANK OF THE WEST | 14,622.74  |
| 1203   | CRA LOW COST HOUSING                            | BANK OF THE WEST | 481.62     |
| 1001   | CITY OF COMPTON - GENERAL RESERVE               | BANK OF THE WEST | 963.80     |
| 2820   | CITY OF COMPTON FAMILY SELF SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM | BANK OF THE WEST | 381,778.13 |
| 1001   | CITY OF COMPTON CHANGE FUND                     | BANK OF THE WEST | 384.00     |
| 2818   | SECTION 108 - HUD FUND                          | BANK OF THE WEST | 718.88     |
| 1061   | COPS GRANT WEED AND SEED                        | BANK OF THE WEST | 662,725.74 |

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| Investments                      | Par Value            | Market Value         | Book Value           | % of Portfolio | Term     | Days to Maturity | YTM 360 Equiv. | YTM 365 Equiv. |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Passbook/Checking Accounts -2    | 302,543.82           | 302,543.82           | 302,543.82           | 2.52           | 1        | 1                | 4.932          | 5.000          |
| Manage Pool & Money Mkt Accounts | 735,010.86           | 735,010.86           | 735,010.86           | 6.12           | 1        | 1                | 1.617          | 1.640          |
| Local Agency Investment Fund     | 10,971,759.08        | 10,971,759.08        | 10,971,759.08        | 91.36          | 1        | 1                | 2.558          | 2.593          |
| <b>Investments</b>               | <b>12,009,313.76</b> | <b>12,009,313.76</b> | <b>12,009,313.76</b> | <b>100.00%</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b>         | <b>2.560</b>   | <b>2.595</b>   |

|                          |                              |                            |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Total Earnings</b>    | <b>April 30 Month Ending</b> | <b>Fiscal Year To Date</b> |
| Current Year             | 25,971.44                    | 134,235.33                 |
| Average Daily Balance    | 12,293,113.76                |                            |
| Effective Rate of Return | 2.57%                        |                            |

I certify that this report reflects all pooled investments and is in conformity with the investment policy adopted by the City Council. (Gov Code 53646(b)(3)) The monthly investment report must state the ability of the Agency to meet its expenditure requirements for the next six months or provide an explanation of why sufficient cash funds may or may not be available. The Investment program may not provide sufficient cash to meet six months of estimated expenditures, cash revenue has been very slow, the City still has high expenditures. The major expenditure; the LA County Sheriff payment has really fallen behind, the PERS Insurance payments as well as the trash hauler payments and payroll. On December 20, 2010 and April 20, 2011; the City receives its major source of revenue, property tax revenue and DMV fees. Our State's economy shows some signs of improvement, however the Governor has a proposal on the table to deal with California's Budget Deficit, which could have a major impact on the City's revenue. One suggestion is that the City go to a 45 to 60 day billing cycle or only make all vendor payments at the end of the month so the City can build its cashflow. The pricing of securities is done by Union Bank and Interactive Data Services, Moody Investor Service rates the State Pool Accounts AAA.

Douglas Sanders, City Treasurer

**Treasury Rates as of 04/30/11**

03 months -- 0.0385  
06 months -- 0.1020  
12 months -- 0.2156

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| CUSIP                                       | Investment # | Issuer                         | Average Balance   | Purchase Date | Par Value         | Market Value      | Book Value   | Stated Rate | Moody's | YTM 360      | Days to Maturity | Maturity Date |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------|---------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>Passbook/Checking Accounts -2</b>        |              |                                |                   |               |                   |                   |              |             |         |              |                  |               |
| SYS4000                                     | 4000         | Neighborhood Improvement       |                   |               | 302,543.82        | 302,543.82        | 302,543.82   | 5.000       |         | 4.932        | 1                |               |
|                                             |              | <b>Subtotal and Average</b>    | <b>302,543.82</b> |               | <b>302,543.82</b> | <b>302,543.82</b> |              |             |         | <b>4.932</b> | <b>1</b>         |               |
| <b>Manage Pool &amp; Money Mkt Accounts</b> |              |                                |                   |               |                   |                   |              |             |         |              |                  |               |
| SYS5003                                     | 5003         | Residential Rehab Money Market |                   |               | 329.23            | 329.23            | 329.23       | 1.300       |         | 1.300        | 1                |               |
| SYS5004                                     | 5004         | Formal Assurance Prg Money Mkt |                   |               | 122,485.57        | 122,485.57        | 122,485.57   | 1.300       |         | 1.300        | 1                |               |
| SYS5005                                     | 5005         | Rental Rehab Prg Money Market  |                   |               | 202.37            | 202.37            | 202.37       | 1.300       |         | 1.300        | 1                |               |
| SYS5001                                     | 5001         | 5116 Highmark Fund             |                   |               | 420,988.16        | 420,988.16        | 420,988.16   | 1.680       |         | 1.680        | 1                |               |
| SYS5006                                     | 5006         | 1001 HIGHMARK FUND             |                   |               | 178,266.12        | 178,266.12        | 178,266.12   | 1.680       |         | 1.680        | 1                |               |
| SYS5010                                     | 5010         | UMB Corporate Trust Services   |                   |               | 12,739.41         | 12,739.41         | 12,739.41    | 1.730       |         | 1.730        | 1                |               |
| SYS5002                                     | 5002         | 1001 Wells Fargo Money Market  |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 3.040       |         | 3.040        | 1                |               |
|                                             |              | <b>Subtotal and Average</b>    | <b>735,010.86</b> |               | <b>735,010.86</b> | <b>735,010.86</b> |              |             |         | <b>1.617</b> | <b>1</b>         |               |
| <b>Local Agency Investment Fund</b>         |              |                                |                   |               |                   |                   |              |             |         |              |                  |               |
| SYS6013                                     | 6013         | 1999 Local Law Enforcement Gra |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.001       |         | 0.001        | 1                |               |
| SYS6014                                     | 6014         | 2000 Local Law Enforcement Gra |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.001       |         | 0.001        | 1                |               |
| SYS6020                                     | 6020         | 2001 Local Law Enforcement Gra |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.001       |         | 0.001        | 1                |               |
| SYS6021                                     | 6021         | 2002 Local Law Enforcement Gra |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.001       |         | 0.001        | 1                |               |
| SYS6023                                     | 6023         | 2003 Local Law Enforcement Gr  |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.001       |         | 0.001        | 1                |               |
| SYS6026                                     | 6026         | 2004 Local Law Enforcement Gra |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.001       |         | 0.001        | 1                |               |
| SYS6007                                     | 6007         | 4000 CRA                       |                   |               | 26,498.15         | 26,498.15         | 26,498.15    | 2.770       |         | 2.732        | 1                |               |
| SYS6019                                     | 6019         | 1641 EDA Revolving Loan        |                   |               | 432,674.67        | 432,674.67        | 432,674.67   | 1.510       |         | 1.489        | 1                |               |
| SYS6012                                     | 6012         | General City EMS               |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 5.230       |         | 5.158        | 1                |               |
| SYS6000                                     | 6000         | 1001 General City              |                   |               | 544,420.94        | 544,420.94        | 544,420.94   | 1.510       |         | 1.489        | 1                |               |
| SYS6028                                     | 6028         | 2818 HUD SECTION 108           |                   |               | 3,211,141.18      | 3,211,141.18      | 3,211,141.18 | 2.770       |         | 2.732        | 1                |               |
| SYS6006                                     | 6006         | 1300 Land Sales CRA            |                   |               | 9,410.12          | 9,410.12          | 9,410.12     | 2.770       |         | 2.732        | 1                |               |
| SYS6004                                     | 6004         | 2820 Local Housing Authority   |                   |               | 57,805.36         | 57,805.36         | 57,805.36    | 1.510       |         | 1.489        | 1                |               |
| SYS6001                                     | 6001         | 6400 Liability                 |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.000       |         | 0.000        | 1                |               |
| SYS6010                                     | 6010         | 1031 Local Law Enforcement     |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 5.230       |         | 5.158        | 1                |               |
| SYS6011                                     | 6011         | 1203 CRA Low Cost Housing      |                   |               | 3,078,238.84      | 3,078,238.84      | 3,078,238.84 | 2.770       |         | 2.732        | 1                |               |
| SYS6009                                     | 6009         | 9203 Public Finance Auth.      |                   |               | 30,881.18         | 30,881.18         | 30,881.18    | 2.770       |         | 2.732        | 1                |               |
| SYS6002                                     | 6002         | 1900 PROP C                    |                   |               | 406,112.59        | 406,112.59        | 406,112.59   | 1.510       |         | 1.489        | 1                |               |
| SYS6022                                     | 6022         | REGIONAL PARK                  |                   |               | 2,717,004.87      | 2,717,004.87      | 2,717,004.87 | 2.770       |         | 2.732        | 1                |               |
| SYS6027                                     | 6027         | 2615 River Mountain Conservanc |                   |               | 11,655.56         | 11,655.56         | 11,655.56    | 1.510       |         | 1.489        | 1                |               |
| SYS6008                                     | 6008         | 1500 Rosecrans Redevelopment   |                   |               | 0.00              | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.000       |         | 0.000        | 1                |               |

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| CUSIP                               | Investment # | Issuer                   | Average Balance | Purchase Date | Par Value     | Market Value  | Book Value    | Stated Rate | Moody's | YTM 360 | Days to Maturity | Maturity Date |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|---------|---------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>Local Agency Investment Fund</b> |              |                          |                 |               |               |               |               |             |         |         |                  |               |
| SYS6003                             | 6003         | 5116 Sewer Bond Proceeds |                 |               | 86,751.29     | 86,751.29     | 86,751.29     | 1.510       |         | 1.489   | 1                |               |
| SYS6005                             | 6005         | 1200 Surplus Tax         |                 |               | 359,164.33    | 359,164.33    | 359,164.33    | 2.770       |         | 2.732   | 1                |               |
|                                     |              | Subtotal and Average     | 11,255,559.08   |               | 10,971,759.08 | 10,971,759.08 | 10,971,759.08 |             |         | 2.558   | 1                |               |
|                                     |              | Total and Average        | 12,293,113.76   |               | 12,009,313.76 | 12,009,313.76 | 12,009,313.76 |             |         | 2.560   | 1                |               |

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|                                                 | April 30 Month Ending | Fiscal Year To Date |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>CD/Coupon/Discount Investments:</b>          |                       |                     |
| Interest Collected                              | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Plus Accrued Interest at End of Period          | 10,159.70             | 10,159.70           |
| Less Accrued Interest at Beginning of Period    | ( 10,159.70)          | ( 10,159.70)        |
| Less Accrued Interest at Purchase During Period | ( 0.00)               | ( 0.00)             |
| Interest Earned during Period                   | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Adjusted by Capital Gains or Losses             | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Earnings during Periods                         | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| <b>Pass Through Securities:</b>                 |                       |                     |
| Interest Collected                              | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Plus Accrued Interest at End of Period          | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Less Accrued Interest at Beginning of Period    | ( 0.00)               | ( 0.00)             |
| Less Accrued Interest at Purchase During Period | ( 0.00)               | ( 0.00)             |
| Interest Earned during Period                   | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Adjusted by Premiums and Discounts              | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
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| Interest Collected                              | 0.00                  | 82,922.55           |
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| Less Accrued Interest at Beginning of Period    | ( 276,250.99)         | ( 250,909.65)       |
| Interest Earned during Period                   | 25,971.44             | 134,235.33          |
| Total Interest Earned during Period             | 25,971.44             | 134,235.33          |
| Total Capital Gains or Losses                   | 0.00                  | 0.00                |
| Total Earnings during Period                    | 25,971.44             | 134,235.33          |

**CITY OF COMPTON**  
**BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF**  
**APRIL 30, 2010**

|        | NAME OF ACCOUNT            | BANK NAME        | BALANCE      |
|--------|----------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| FUND # | PAYROLL                    | WELLS FARGO BANK | 581,086.77   |
| 101    | GENERAL CITY ACCOUNT       | BANK OF THE WEST | 4,133,297.10 |
| 1001   | POLICE ASSET FORFEITURE    | BANK OF THE WEST | 2,641.93     |
| 1022   | SURPLUS TAX                | BANK OF THE WEST | 787,981.29   |
| 1200   | LANDSALES                  | COMERICA         | 29,026.32    |
| 1300   | PROP C                     | BANK OF THE WEST | 73,378.35    |
| 1900   | WIA / CAREERLINK           | BANK OF THE WEST | 114,516.98   |
| 2711   | LOCAL HOUSING AUTHORITY    | BANK OF THE WEST | 166.70       |
| 2820   | COMMUNITY REDVL AGENCY     | BANK OF THE WEST | 1,379.56     |
| 4000   | SEWER BONDS PROCEEDS       | BANK OF THE WEST | 387.73       |
| 5116   | WORKERS COMP               | BANK OF THE WEST | 112,847.92   |
| 6300   | LIABILITIES                | BANK OF THE WEST | 227,179.28   |
| 6400   | PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY   | BANK OF THE WEST | 3,410.04     |
| 9203   | EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES | BANK OF THE WEST | 215,665.76   |
| 1001   | SAVINGS BOND ACCOUNT       | WELLS FARGO BANK | 0.00         |

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CITY OF COMPTON  
BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF  
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| FUND # | NAME OF ACCOUNT                                 | BANK NAME        |            |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
|        | HOME LOAN PROGRAM                               | BANK OF THE WEST | 14,622.74  |
| 1203   | CRA LOW COST HOUSING                            | BANK OF THE WEST | 45,611.62  |
| 1001   | CITY OF COMPTON - GENERAL RESERVE               | BANK OF THE WEST | 963.80     |
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| 1001   | CITY OF COMPTON CHANGE FUND                     | BANK OF THE WEST | 284.00     |
| 2818   | SECTION 108 - HUD FUND                          | BANK OF THE WEST | 718.88     |
| 1061   | COPS GRANT WEED AND SEED                        | BANK OF THE WEST | 662,752.98 |

June 8, 2011

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR & COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AND ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SUNGARD PUBLIC SECTOR (FORMERLY SUNGARD BI-TECH) FOR MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FOR THE CITY'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM (IFAS MODULE)

#### SUMMARY

This resolution is for authorization to issue a purchase order to SunGard Public Sector for software maintenance support for IFAS to cover the period from March 2011 through February 2012. IFAS is the financial accounting software used by the City to record its financial information.

#### BACKGROUND

The City uses the IFAS (Integrated Financial and Administrative Solution) system to electronically record and maintain its financial accounting data since 1999. IFAS was proprietary software developed and supported by SunGard Public Sector. Staff could not perform a competitive bidding for this maintenance contract because of the proprietary nature of the IFAS application. Like many proprietary financial accounting applications, only the software vendor could effectively provide the maintenance support. The IFAS system has been maintained / supported by SunGard Public Sector since the City purchased the software.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

The amount for the annual coverage is \$67,911.33. Funds have been allocated for this expense in account number 1001-650-000-4262.

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the attached resolution be adopted.

Willie Norfleet  
City Manager



## RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AND ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SUNGARD PUBLIC SECTOR (FORMERLY SUNGARD BI-TECH) FOR MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FOR THE CITY'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM (IFAS MODULE)**

**WHEREAS**, the City uses the IFAS (Integrated Financial and Administrative Solution) system to electronically record and maintain its financial accounting data; and

**WHEREAS**, IFAS is a proprietary application developed and maintained by SunGard Public Sector; and

**WHEREAS**, SunGard Public Sector has provided the City with maintenance support for IFAS since the City purchased the application in 1999; and

**WHEREAS**, the maintenance support has expired and it is necessary to renew the maintenance coverage; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost for the annual maintenance support for the period March 2011 through February 2012 will be Sixty Seven Thousand, Nine Hundred and Eleven Dollars and Thirty Three Cents (\$67,911.33); and

**WHEREAS**, the funds have been allocated in the City Controller's Office Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** That the City Manager, upon the advice of the City Attorney, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with and issue a purchase order to SunGard Public Sector for IFAS maintenance support services in an amount not to exceed Sixty Seven Thousand, Nine Hundred and Eleven Dollars and Thirty Three Cents (\$67,911.33).

**Section 2.** That the term of the contract with SunGard Public Sector shall be retroactive from March 1, 2011 through February 28, 2012.

**Section 3.** That payment for the maintenance support shall be funded from account number 1001-650-000-4262.

**Section 4.** That a certified copy of this resolution shall be filed in the Offices of the City Manager, City Controller and City Clerk.

**Section 5.** That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

#5.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CITY OF COMPTON

I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, hereby certify that the forgoing resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the Mayor, attested to by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2011.

That said resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS-  
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CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

## RESOLUTION SIGN-OFF FORM

DEPARTMENT: Controller

**RESOLUTION TITLE:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AND ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SUNGARD PUBLIC SECTOR (FORMERLY SUNGARD BI-TECH) FOR MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FOR THE CITY'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM (IFAS MODULE)

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June 8, 2011

**TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LICENSING, SUPPORT AND HOSTING AGREEMENT WITH DIALOGIC COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (dba CASSIDIAN COMMUNICATIONS) FOR AN EMERGENCY TELEPHONE MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR THE CITY**

### **SUMMARY**

The attached Resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a Licensing, Support and Shared Hosting Agreement with Dialogic Communications Corporation, dba Cassidian Communications for an emergency telephone mass notification system for the City of Compton.

### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Compton has a responsibility to preserve and protect life, property and continuity of government by notifying its citizens, businesses and other stakeholders about disasters and other emergencies that may occur in or near the City and directly affect the aforementioned.

### **SITUATION**

The City of Compton currently does not have an emergency telephone mass notification system to alert citizens, businesses, and other stakeholders about emergencies and disasters that directly affect the City. The City currently relies on local television and radio stations to broadcast emergency information, which is not a complete or comprehensive way to reach a majority of people in a timely fashion. Many residents do not have access to television or radio and would not get the important information. Likewise, most local businesses and other stakeholders do not have access to television or radio throughout the work day and would not receive notifications. Many other government agencies and cities within Los Angeles County, the State of California, and throughout the Country and the Federal Government have implemented similar emergency telephone mass notification systems successfully and efficiently. These emergency telephone mass notification systems have been proven to save lives during many different kinds of disasters and emergencies.

The system will be fully hosted and maintained by Cassidian Communications. The need of City network services will be very minimal. Cassidian Communications will handle technical support. Quotes were received Avtex, Blackboard Connect and Cassidian Communications. Cassidian Communications submitted the most responsible and reasonable quote in answer to the City's request.

To obtain more affordable pricing for the service, the City recommends entering into a three (3) year agreement. The cost per year is \$32,500. The agreement may be terminated by the City for cause or within thirty (30) days of the anniversary date each year of the Initial Service term, following ten (10) days written notice.

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**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The annual cost of the emergency telephone mass notification system is \$32,500. We request that the Fire Department's FY 2010-11 Annual Budget be amended and funds transferred as follows:

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| <b><u>ACCOUNT NO.</u></b> | <b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b> | <b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> |
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| 10016900004273            | Training                  | \$32,500             |

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| 10016900004269 | Other Contractual Services | \$32,500 |
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Funds will be taken from Account Number 10016900004269 of the Fire Department's FY 2010-11 budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Council approve the attached resolution.

**JON THOMPSON**  
**FIRE CHIEF**

**WILLIE NORFLEET**  
**CITY MANAGER**

**RESOLUTION NO \_\_\_\_\_****A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LICENSING,  
SUPPORT AND HOSTING AGREEMENT WITH DIALOGIC  
COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (dba CASSIDIAN  
COMMUNICATIONS) FOR AN EMERGENCY TELEPHONE MASS  
NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR THE CITY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Compton has a responsibility to preserve and protect life, property and continuity of government by notifying its citizens, businesses and other stakeholders about disasters and other emergencies that may occur in or near the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Compton currently does not have an emergency mass telephone notification system to alert citizens, businesses, and other stakeholders about emergencies and disasters that directly affect the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Compton currently relies on local television and radio stations to broadcast emergency information, which is not a complete or comprehensive way to reach everyone within the City in a timely fashion; and

**WHEREAS**, many other government agencies and cities within Los Angeles County, the State of California, and throughout the Country and the Federal Government have implemented similar emergency telephone mass notification systems successfully, which has saved many lives; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to ensure that there is more than one way to effectively reach citizens, businesses and other stakeholders about disasters or other emergencies, staff has determined that the implementation of an emergency telephone mass notification system is needed; and

**WHEREAS**, staff as received quotes from Avtex, Blackboard Connect and Cassidian Communications and Cassidian's Communications proposal met the City's request with the most responsible reasonable cost plan;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Compton is entering into a three (3) year Agreement at a cost of \$32,500 per year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the City Manager is authorized to enter into a 3-year License, Support and Shared Hosting Agreement with Cassidian Communications.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Manager is authorized to issue a purchase order for the services to be rendered during the first year, in an amount not to exceed \$32,500.

**SECTION 3.** That the Fire Department's Fiscal Year 2010-11 Annual Budget be amended and funds transferred as follows:

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From:

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| 10016900004273     | Training           | \$32,500      |

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| 10016900004269 | Other Contractual Services | \$32,500 |
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**SECTION 4.** That funds shall come from Account No. 10016900004269 of the Fire Department's Fiscal Year 2010-11 budget.

**SECTION 5.** That funds for future payments will be appropriated at the adoption of future City budgets.

**SECTION 6.** That a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the City Manager, City Controller and the Fire Department.

**SECTION 7.** That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2011.

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**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CITY OF COMPTON

I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Compton, signed by the Mayor, and attested by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

That the Resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

**AYES:**           **COUNCIL MEMBERS-**  
**NOES:**          **COUNCIL MEMBERS-**  
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**ABSTAIN:**      **COUNCIL MEMBERS-**

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**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

RESOLUTION SIGN-OFF FORM

DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

RESOLUTION TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LICENSING, SUPPORT AND HOSTING AGREEMENT WITH DIALOGIC COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (dba CASSIDIAN COMMUNICATIONS) FOR AN EMERGENCY TELEPHONE MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR THE CITY

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June 8, 2011

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
COMPTON AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT AND PURCHASE  
ORDER WITH THE CITY OF DOWNEY FOR FIRE AND  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCHING SERVICES**

### **SUMMARY**

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to approve a new Dispatch Services Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the Cities of Downey, Santa Fe Springs and Vernon for the Joint Powers Communication Center (JPCC) and issue a purchase order.

### **BACKGROUND**

The cities of Compton, Downey, Montebello and Santa Fe Springs fire departments have utilized fire communications services from the JPCC, located at Downey Fire headquarters, since 1975. By sharing the JPCC with neighboring fire departments, it has allowed effective emergency radio services at reduced costs. Recently, the city of Montebello discontinued services with the JPCC, resulting in increased costs to the remaining participants, including Compton. Since that time, the JPCC has been exploring the feasibility of new participants joining the communications center.

### **SITUATION**

This agreement supersedes the 2009 Dispatch Services JPA and includes the addition of the City of Vernon fire department as a JPCC participant.

Along with the other JPCC participants Vernon is a member of Area E, this geographical area located within Los Angeles County. Vernon is a participant in automatic aid with the surrounding jurisdictional fire departments.

Currently, Vernon police department provides dispatch services for their fire department. However, fire communications are transferred to the JPCC during major incidents requiring automatic aid assistance (large fires, hazardous materials releases, etc). Gaining Vernon fire department as a JPCC participant will enhance operational safety by eliminating the transfer of communications from Vernon police department.

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The addition of Vernon fire department into the JPCC will require one additional overhead staff position to aid in the management of the four cities' 23,425 emergency fire responses and support needs. Vernon's response totals last year were 1,406 or 6% of the JPCC's total incidents. This supervisory position will allow for improved quality assurance, increased employee training, and increased call-taking and radio staffing, allowing the center to continue to work towards tiered dispatching capabilities. Tiered dispatching will more effectively utilize paramedic units.

Vernon fire department is responsible for all associated start-up costs to join the JPCC. The projected date for Vernon to enter into the JPCC and the new agreement to be effective is July 1, 2011.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

With the addition of Vernon into the JPCC, the following fiscal impact will result:

- An increase in JPCC budget of \$127, 315.79 for supplies, services, and personnel cost, effective July 1, 2011.
- An increase in JPCC revenue of \$146,872.26.
- City of Compton fire department's JPCC fees will be reduced from \$613,149.18 to \$610,112.10, or a reduction of \$3,037.08 for fiscal year 2011/12.

There is no further impact to the 2010/11 or 2011/12 fiscal year budgets. There are sufficient funds budgeted in account 10016900004269 for this agreement.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the City Council adopt the attached Resolution.

**JON THOMPSON**  
**FIRE CHIEF**

**WILLIE NORFLEET**  
**CITY MANAGER**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT AND PURCHASE ORDER WITH  
THE CITY OF DOWNEY FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
DISPATCHING SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Compton has been a member of the Joint Powers of Authority (JPA) with three other cities for Fire and Emergency Medical dispatching; and

**WHEREAS**, the city of Vernon is a member of Area E and has requested to join the Joint Powers Communication Center (JPCC)

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid dispatching services are provided by the Downey Communications Center; and

**WHEREAS**, each member of the JPA share in the cost of providing this service; and

**WHEREAS**, the addition of Vernon will reduce cost to all current members of the JPA; and

**WHEREAS**, funds for this payment have been allocated in the Fire Department's 2011/12 Fiscal Year budget; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** That the City Manager is authorized to execute a new or amended Dispatch Services Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the cities of Downey, Santa Fe Springs and Vernon for the City of Downey to provide emergency fire communication services.

**Section 2.** That the new or amended Agreement is anticipated to become effective July 1, 2011, and the City of Compton may terminate it's participation in the Joint Powers Agreement with 120 days written notice.

**Section 3.** That the City Manager is authorized to issue a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$610,112.10 as the City of Compton's share of expenses for the Joint Powers Agreement.

**Section 4.** That the funds for said services are appropriated in account 1001-69-0000-4269 of the Fire Department's budget for fiscal year 2011/12.

**Section 5.** That a certified copy of this resolution shall remain on file in the offices of the City Manager, City Clerk, City Controller and the Fire Department.

**Section 6.** That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
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ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CITY OF COMPTON

I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, do hereby certify that the forgoing resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the Mayor, and attested to by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

That said resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:           Council Members-  
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CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

RESOLUTION SIGN-OFF FORM

DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

RESOLUTION TITLE: RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT AND PURCHASE ORDER WITH  
THE CITY OF DOWNEY FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
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June 8, 2011

**TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$28,773 IN GRANT FUNDING FROM HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF FIRE PERSONNEL COMPLETING REGIONAL TERRORISM LIAISON OFFICE TRAINING**

**SUMMARY**

Staff would like Council to consider amending the Fire Department's Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget to accept and appropriate \$28,773.00 in grant funding from the Office of Homeland Security for reimbursement of fire personnel completing regional terrorism liaison officer training.

**BACKGROUND**

On February 8, 2011, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors accepted the 2010 Homeland Security Grant Program for local agencies. Fire officers of the Compton Fire Department attended and completed regional terrorism liaison officer training to establish a terrorism intelligence sharing network for the Los Angeles region. The training was completed at various times during the last quarter of 2010 and the first quarter of 2011.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The Fire Department's 2010-2011 fiscal year budget would increase by \$28,773.00, which would be used to reimburse the Fire Department for the overtime cost incurred.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends that Council adopt the attached resolution.

**Jon Thompson**  
**FIRE CHIEF**

**Willie Norfleet**  
**CITY MANAGER**



RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$28,773 IN GRANT FUNDING FROM  
HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF  
FIRE PERSONNEL COMPLETING REGIONAL TERRORISM LIAISON  
OFFICE TRAINING**

**WHEREAS**, on February 8, 2011, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors accepted the 2010 Homeland Security Grant Program for local agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, fire and chief officers of the Compton Fire Department attended and completed regional terrorism liaison officer training to establish a terrorism intelligence sharing network for the Los Angeles region; and

**WHEREAS**, the training was completed at various times during the last quarter of 2010 and the first quarter of 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the time frame for applying for these grants did not permit prior approval of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Department applied for and was award a grants in the amount of \$28,773.00 for Fiscal Year 2010-2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Department Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget must be amended to appropriate these funds; and

**WHEREAS**, acceptance of the grants will allow the Fire Department to receive reimbursement for overtime cost incurred.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** That the City shall accept the \$28,773.00 grant from Homeland Security Grant Program distributed by the Chief Executive Office of Los Angeles County.

**Section 2.** That a copy of this resolution shall be filed in the offices of the City Manager, City Controller and the Fire Department.

**Section 3.** That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2011.

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**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CITY OF COMPTON

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CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

RESOLUTION SIGN-OFF FORM

DEPARTMENT: City Attorney

RESOLUTION TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$28,773 IN GRANT FUNDING FROM HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF FIRE PERSONNEL COMPLETING REGIONAL TERRORISM LIAISON OFFICE TRAINING

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DEPARTMENT MANAGER’S SIGNATURE

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**JUNE 8, 2011**

**TO: MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO FINANCE AND IMPLEMENT THE RESTORATION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF OLYMPIC PARK ADJACENT TO THE GATEWAY TOWNE CENTER LOCATED IN THE COMPTON REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA**

### **SUMMARY**

Staff is respectfully requesting that the City Council authorize the Community Redevelopment Agency to finance and implement the restoration and redevelopment of City-owned property, commonly known as the "Olympic Park," located adjacent to the Gateway Towne Center in the Compton Redevelopment Project Area.

### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Compton constructed the Olympic Park to celebrate and commemorate the International Sports Competition that was held in Los Angeles in 1984. Strategically located at a key gateway into the City and adjacent to the Gateway Towne Center, the Olympic Park symbolizes Compton's relationship with the 1984 Olympic Games as well as a platform to market Compton to local and international investors. However, over the years, the Olympic Park rings and monument have undergone deterioration and deferred maintenance resulting in a blighted environment in need of restoration. The accumulation of debris, broken concrete and faded paint require immediate renovation to enhance its aesthetic image.

The Health and Safety Code, Section 33445 permits the Community Redevelopment Agency to pay for the costs of improvements of publicly owned real property provided that certain findings are made by the Agency that: a) the improvements would alleviate blight in the project area; b) the improvements will benefit the immediate area; and c) there is no other reasonable means of financing the improvements absent Agency assistance.

### **STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE**

The City has determined that it does not have sufficient fiscal resources to alleviate the inherent blighting conditions at the Olympic Park. A major goal of the Community Redevelopment Agency is to carry out public improvements to eliminate blight and attract private sector investment into the City. Renovation of the blighted and deteriorating City-owned Olympic Park would enhance the aesthetic outlook of the Park and attract investors to undertake developments that would complement the new retail Gateway Shopping Center. Consequently, the Agency has

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deemed it beneficial to the Agency/City expend Agency funds to revitalize the Olympic Park. The Agency's contractor (Bravo Concrete) scope of work will include replacement of the rings and monument structure; removal of existing vegetation, framing and footwork; installing gray concrete with light blue and teal colored finishes. The Olympic Park rings are 18 and 21 feet wide in diameter.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The Agency will have funds available in fiscal year 2010-2011 budget in the amount of \$68,000 from account# 1200-800-000-4290. The total contract amount includes an approximate ten (10%) retention for unforeseen conditions.

**Contract Amount = \$61,300**

**Retention Amount = \$6,700**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff is respectfully requested that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution.

**DR. KOFI SEFA-BOAKYE**  
**DIRECTOR OF REDEVELOPMENT**

**WILLIE NORFLEET**  
**CITY MANAGER**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_****A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO FINANCE AND IMPLEMENT THE RESTORATION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF OLYMPIC PARK ADJACENT TO THE GATEWAY TOWNE CENTER LOCATED IN THE COMPTON REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA**

**WHEREAS**, the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Compton (the "Agency") is carrying out the Redevelopment Plan for the Compton Redevelopment Project Area, as merged and amended by Ordinance No. 2,114 adopted by the City Council on November 16, 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Compton constructed the Olympic Park to celebrate and commemorate the International Sports Competition that was held in Los Angeles in 1984. Strategically located at a key gateway into the City and adjacent to the Gateway Towne Center, the Olympic Park symbolizes Compton's relationship with the 1984 Olympic Games as well as a platform to market Compton to local and international investors. However, over the years, the Olympic Park rings and monument have undergone deterioration and deferred maintenance resulting in a blighted environment in need of restoration. The accumulation of debris, broken concrete and faded paint require immediate renovation to enhance its aesthetic image; and

**WHEREAS**, the Health and Safety Code, Section 33445 permits the Community Redevelopment Agency to pay for the costs of improvements of publicly owned real property provided that certain findings are made by the Agency that: a) the improvements would alleviate blight in the project area; b) the improvements will benefit the immediate area; and c) there is no other reasonable means of financing the improvements absent Agency assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has determined that it does not have sufficient fiscal resources to alleviate the inherent blighting conditions at the Olympic Park. A major goal of the Community Redevelopment Agency is to carry out public improvements to eliminate blight and attract private sector investment into the City. Renovation of the blighted and deteriorating City-owned Olympic Park would enhance the aesthetic outlook of the Park and attract investors to undertake developments that would complement the new retail Gateway Shopping Center. Consequently, the Agency has deemed it beneficial to the Agency/City expend Agency funds to revitalize the Olympic Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency's contractor (Bravo Concrete) scope of work will include replacement of the rings and monument structure; removal of existing vegetation, framing and footwork; installing gray concrete with light blue and teal colored finishes. The Olympic Park rings are 18 and 21 feet wide in diameter; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency will have funds available in fiscal year 2010-2011 budget in the amount of \$68,000 from account# 1200-800-000-4290. The total contract amount includes an approximate ten (10%) retention for unforeseen conditions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** That the City Council of the City of Compton finds and determines that its property commonly known as the "Olympic Park," located adjacent to the Gateway Towne Center has fallen into disrepair and presents a blighted site to the area, however, the City declares that it does not have sufficient means to finance the needed improvements of its property.

**Section 2.** That the City Council authorizes the Community Redevelopment Agency to finance and implement the restoration and redevelopment of the Olympic Park.

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**Section 3.** That a certified copy of this resolution shall be filed in the offices of the Executive Secretary, City Attorney, City Controller, Community Redevelopment Agency, and Clerk.

**Section 4.** That the Agency will have funds available in fiscal year 2010-2011 budget in the amount of \$68,000 from account# 1200-800-000-4290. The total contract amount includes an approximate ten (10%) retention for unforeseen conditions.

**Section 5.** That the Mayor shall sign and the Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CITY OF COMPTON: ss

I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the Mayor, and attested by the City Clerk at the regular meeting thereof held on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

That said Resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

**AYES:**           **COUNCIL MEMBERS-**  
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**ABSENT:**       **COUNCIL MEMBERS-**

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**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

RESOLUTION SIGN-OFF FORM

DEPARTMENT: Community Redevelopment

RESOLUTION TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO FINANCE AND IMPLEMENT THE RESTORATION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF OLYMPIC PARK ADJACENT TO THE GATEWAY TOWNE CENTER LOCATED IN THE COMPTON REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

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**June 8, 2011**

**TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON APPROVING AND ADOPTING MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION 926 AND THE MITIGATION AND MONITORING REPORT FOR THE COMPTON CREEK REGIONAL GARDEN PARK MASTER PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES**

### **SUMMARY**

Staff would like Council to consider approving and adopting Mitigation Negative Declaration (MND) 926 and the Mitigation and Monitoring Report for the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan was adopted by City Council in 2006. The Plan provides a number of recommendations including the construction of a multipurpose and equestrian trail, installation of street furnishings, public art, pocket parks, and street crossings, landscaping and debris removal, and water quality enhancement.

On April 27, 2011, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing to consider recommending to Council to approve and adopt Mitigation Negative Declaration (MND) 926 and the Mitigation and Monitoring Report for the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park. Proper noticing of the public hearing was placed in *The Bulletin* and notices were placed along the project areas announcing the public hearing. These efforts exceeded the minimum requirements set forth by CEQA. The environmental document and the Mitigation and Monitoring Report were placed on the City's website for public access.

The City of Compton served as the Lead Agency and a number of responsible agencies were sent a notice of the findings, including, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, LA County Flood Control District, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife, among other agencies. During the public hearing, there were no comments offered from the general public and staff did not receive any written comments from citizens leading up to public hearing.

Although a portion of the Plan has been implemented, there is no record of an environmental document ever adopted by City Council. To ensure that the City complies with CEQA guidelines, an Initial Study has been conducted and it has been determined that a MND and a Mitigation and Monitoring Plan will reduce all potential impacts to *less than significance*. A copy of the MND and Mitigation and Monitoring Plan is attached for review.

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After staff's presentation and opening up the public hearing, the Planning Commission, after due notice and consideration, voted to recommend to the City Council to approve and adopt MND 926 and the Mitigation and Monitoring Report.

**STATEMENT OF ISSUE**

With these mitigation measures in place, the City has met its environmental requirements.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact by approving and adopting the MND and Mitigation and Monitoring Report.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends that the City Council approves the attached resolution.

**DEREK HULL, DIRECTOR  
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**WILLIE NORFLEET  
CITY MANAGER**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
APPROVING AND ADOPTING MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION 926  
AND THE MITIGATION AND MONITORING REPORT FOR THE COMPTON  
CREEK REGIONAL GARDEN PARK MASTER PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council approved the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan in 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, the City’s consultant, Terry Hayes Associates, LLC, has reviewed the project and determined that a Mitigation Negative Declaration (MND) is appropriate for the scope of the project; and

**WHEREAS**, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program has been prepared to ensure that all mitigation measures are followed and implemented to protect the public safety, health and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, all environmental documents have been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 27, 2011, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing to consider approval and adoption of MND 926 and the Mitigation and Monitoring Report for the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the noticing of the public hearing for the Planning Commission met and exceeded the minimum requirements set forth by CEQA; and

**WHEREAS**, the public hearing was properly noticed in the local newspaper and posted along the project area; and

**WHEREAS**, the City noticed other responsible agencies and filed the document at the State Clearing House; and

**WHEREAS**, there were no comments received from the general public during the public meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission, after due notice and consideration, voted to recommend to the City Council to approve MND 926 and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVES:**

**Section 1.** That Mitigated Negative Declaration No. 926 and the Mitigation and Monitoring Report are hereby approved and adopted.

**Section 2.** That a copy of this Resolution shall be placed on file in the City Manager’s Office and the Planning and Economic Development Department.

**Section 3.** That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CITY OF COMPTON

I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

That said Resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:           COUNCIL MEMBERS-  
NOES:           COUNCIL MEMBERS-  
ABSENT:        COUNCIL MEMBERS-  
ABSTAIN:       COUNCIL MEMBERS-

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

**COMPTON CREEK REGIONAL  
GARDEN PARK MASTER PLAN  
INITIAL STUDY/  
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**



**PREPARED FOR  
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## MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

### Pursuant to: Division 13, Public Resources Code

#### Project Description

The Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan (Master Plan or proposed project) is intended to serve as a guide to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. In addition, the Master Plan provides long-term recommendations to improve water quality. The Master Plan identifies locations for potential components such as tree plantings; amenities such as trash receptacles and drinking fountains; parks and programs such as playgrounds and athletic facilities; and communication improvements such as way-finding signs. The Master Plan is the result of a collaborative stakeholder effort that includes City and civic leaders, citizens, urban designers, architects, landscape architects, and economic and environmental consultants. Stakeholders were brought together in a series of meetings which culminated in the development of the Master Plan.

The Master Plan focuses at a detailed scale on the ecological, development, and circulation issues within the City of Compton. At this local scale, the Master Plan outlines opportunities and existing constraints along Compton Creek. The Master Plan identifies ten “Creek Systems” that suggest systematic improvements of typical spaces and urban types adjacent to Compton Creek. The Master Plan includes a parcel-by-parcel analysis, detailing prioritized recommendations for site-specific landscapes and amenities, channel modifications, graphics and signage, security strategies, and material and plant guidelines. The Master Plan would be implemented by the City of Compton.

#### Determination

This Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) is included to give notice to interested agencies and the public that it is the City’s intent to adopt an MND for the proposed project. This does not mean that the City’s decision regarding the proposed project is final. This MND is subject to modification based on comments received by interested agencies and the public.

The City of Compton has prepared an Initial Study/Environmental Assessment (IS/EA). On the basis of this study, it has determined that the Proposed Project will:

1) Have no impact or a less-than-significant impact related to:

- Scenic Vistas or Resources
- Visual Character
- Agriculture and Forest Resources
- Construction and Operational Air Quality, Regional and Local
- Endangered Species or Sensitive Habitats
- Local Preservation Policies
- Historic Resources
- Seismicity and Liquefaction
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use and Planning
- Mineral Resources

- Operational Noise
- Construction and Operational Vibration
- Population and Housing
- Schools, Parks, and Recreation
- Operational Traffic and Transportation
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

2) Have a less-than-significant impact on the following environmental resources after implementation of the following mitigation measures:

***Aesthetics: Light and Glare***

**AE1** Applicant shall ensure that all lighting be directed and/or shielded to minimize lighting spillover effects onto adjacent and nearby properties.

**AE2** Applicant shall ensure that glare effects be limited by using non-reflective building and construction materials, such as concrete, wood, and stucco. This shall include, but not be limited to, art installations, fencing material, and recreational equipment.

***Air Quality: Operational Odors***

**AQ1** The City of Compton shall implement and enforce an odor control and maintenance program to mitigate the effects of odors generated at the equestrian trail. The program shall include daily management of solid wastes generated by the horses and the disposal of wastes off-site at least twice weekly.

***Biological Resources: Habitats and Nesting Birds***

**BR1** To prevent contaminated wastewater from entering downstream habitats, designated areas shall be set aside for equipment washing and small batch mixing of concrete or other chemicals. The set aside areas shall be lined with an impermeable liner, and all washings or residue shall be collected and properly disposed of following construction. To prevent downstream impacts from runoff and erosion, a complete Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) shall be prepared, approved, and implemented. Monitoring of the SWPPP measures shall take place monthly during the summer and weekly during the winter. SWPPP measures shall also be checked after each rain event. A monitoring report shall be prepared and presented bi-annually or whenever measures are not being adequately implemented.

**BR2** To prevent the disturbance of nesting native and/or migratory bird species, all clearing and grubbing of the project site should take place between September 1 and February 14. Winter site clearing will ensure that nesting birds are not present and impacted. If construction is scheduled or ongoing near the perimeter of the grading footprint during bird nesting season (February 15 to August 31), qualified biologists should survey the area within 200 feet (or up to 300 feet, depending on topography or other factors, and 500 feet for raptors) of the construction activity to determine if grading is disturbing nesting birds. If nesting activity is being compromised, construction should be suspended in the vicinity of the nest until fledging is complete. This mitigation measure will reduce the proposed project's impacts, disturbance to, and mortality of nesting birds. These mitigation measures should be implemented by a qualified biologist under contract with the project applicant. The project biologist should prepare a report detailing the

results of the construction monitoring efforts. The report should be submitted to the CDFG within two months of the completion of the monitoring activities.

***Cultural Resources: Archaeological and Paleontological Resources, and Human Remains***

- CR1** During excavation and grading, if archaeological resources are uncovered, all work in that area shall cease and be diverted so as to allow for a determination of the value of the resource. Construction activities in that area may commence once the uncovered resources are collected by an archaeologist and properly processed.
- CR2** During excavation and grading, if paleontological resources are uncovered, all work in that area shall cease and be diverted so as to allow for a determination of the value of the resource. Construction activities in that area may commence once the uncovered resources are collected by a paleontologist and properly processed. Any paleontological remains and/or reports and surveys shall be submitted to the Los Angeles County Natural History Museum.
- CR3** If human remains are discovered, State Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 states that no further disturbance shall occur until the County Coroner has made a determination of origin and disposition pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 5097.98. The County Coroner must be notified of the find immediately. If the remains are determined to be prehistoric, the Coroner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours, which will determine and notify a Most Likely Descendant (MLD). With the permission of the landowner or his/her authorized representative, the MLD may inspect the site of the discovery. The MLD shall complete the inspection within 48 hours of notification by the NAHC.

***Geology and Soils: Soil Stability and Erosion***

- GS1** Site-specific Geotechnical Investigation Reports shall be prepared to further assess the potential geophysical hazards. The findings of these site-specific Geotechnical Investigation Reports shall be incorporated into the design of the proposed project to reduce the potential for seismic-induced damages to the satisfaction of the City of Compton Department of Building and Safety.
- GS2** The Applicant shall ensure that construction and excavation activities will adhere to the Best Management Practices (BMPs) set forth by the City. Such BMPs include using plastic coverings to prevent erosion of any unprotected area, such as mounds of dirt or dumpsters, along with devices designed to intercept and safely divert runoff.
- GS3** To the extent feasible, the Applicant shall ensure that grading will be scheduled for completion prior to the start of the rainy season (between November and April).
- GS4** During inclement periods of the year, when rain is threatening (between November and April), the Applicant shall implement an erosion control plan that identifies BMPs to the satisfaction of the City's Building and Safety Division to minimize potential erosion during construction. The erosion control plan shall be a condition prior to issuance of any grading permit.
- GS5** The Applicant shall ensure that provisions be made for adequate surface drainage away from the areas of excavation as well as protection of excavated areas from flooding. The grading contractor shall control surface water and the transportation of silt and sediment.

***Hazards and Hazardous Materials: Emergency Plans***

- HM1** An Emergency Procedures Plan shall be developed which includes notification to the City of Compton Departments of Public Works, Police, and Fire of any full or partial lane closures, movement of heavy construction equipment, and construction within the adjacent street right-of-ways.
- HM2** The Emergency Procedures Plan shall specify a process by which any activities in the adjacent right-of-ways shall be coordinated with the emergency requirements of the Departments of Public Works, Police, and Fire.

***Noise: Construction***

- N1** The Applicant shall ensure that all construction equipment shall be equipped with mufflers and other suitable noise attenuation devices.
- N2** The Applicant shall ensure that the construction contractor shall use quieter equipment as opposed to noisier equipment (such as rubber-tired equipment rather than metal-tracked equipment).
- N3** The Applicant shall ensure that the construction contractor shall place noise-generating construction equipment and locate construction staging areas away from sensitive uses.

***Public Services: Fire and Police Services***

- PS1** Prior to the issuance of building permits for a project implemented as a part of the Master Plan, the final site plan and site circulation plan shall be reviewed and approved by the City of Compton Fire Department to ensure conformity to their fire prevention and operational requirements.
- PS2** Prior to the issuance of building permits for a project implemented as a part of the Master Plan, the final site plan and site circulation plan shall be reviewed and approved by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and/or the Compton Police Department to ensure conformity to their crime prevention measures and operational requirements.

***Transportation and Traffic: Emergency Access***

- TT1** The Compton Fire Department shall review and provide recommendations to the City related to the Master Plan for adequate safety features and emergency access.

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Derek Hull  
Director  
Planning and Economic Development Department  
City of Compton  
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Date

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 PROJECT OVERVIEW

This Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) analyzes the potential environmental effects of the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan (Master Plan) adopted by the Compton City Council in 2006. The purpose of the Master Plan is to redevelop the City's existing flood control channel and adjacent land into a safe, ecologically beneficial, multi-use, public green space and recreational park. Like many hydrological systems, Compton Creek and its watershed covers an area larger than its political boundaries. The Creek's watershed covers 42.1 square miles, approximately 10 of which lie in the City of Compton, and the Creek itself stretches north and south beyond the City limits. The Master Plan focuses only on the area within the City of Compton.

### 1.2 PRIOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan was adopted by City Council in 2006. The Plan outlines several objectives to beautify the Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. In addition, the Master Plan provides long term recommendations to improve water quality and restore natural habitat. However, before many of the long-term projects can be implemented, an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Initial Study (IS) are needed.

### 1.3 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS

The proposed project requires environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Section 15063(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines requires the Lead Agency to prepare an Initial Study (IS) to determine if the proposed project has the potential to have a significant effect on the environment. This IS/MND provides the basis for the finding that, with the implementation of mitigation measures prescribed herein, the proposed project would not have the potential to result in a significant effect on the environment.

This document alone is a disclosure document aimed at informing all concerned parties and fostering informed discussion and decision-making regarding all aspects of the proposed project.

### 1.4 ACTIONS AND AGENCIES INVOLVED

This IS/MND is prepared for consideration by the City of Compton, acting as the Lead Agency in accordance with CEQA.

#### **Discretionary Actions**

Discretionary actions include those local approvals or entitlements necessary in order to implement a project. Under CEQA, there are several discretionary actions associated with approval of the proposed project. The first action will be a decision on whether or not to approve the proposed project on the part of the Lead Agency, City of Compton. Additional discretionary actions that may be required include obtaining construction permits from the Division of the State Architect (DSA) and other associated project approvals. The proposed project could also require permits from other agencies including but not limited to a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPP).

## **1.5 PROJECT INFORMATION**

**Project Title:** Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan

**Project Location:** The project site is located along Compton Creek from El Segundo Boulevard to State Route 91

**Lead Agency:** City of Compton

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## **1.6 ORGANIZATION OF INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**1.0 Introduction:** This section provides introductory information, including the project title, the project applicant, and the lead agency for the proposed project.

**2.0 Project Description:** This section provides a detailed description of the environmental setting and the proposed project, including project objectives, and an estimated time line for construction of the proposed project.

**3.0 Initial Study Checklist and Evaluation:** This section contains the complete IS Checklist showing the level of impact under each environmental impact category. This section also contains an assessment and discussion of the impacts associated with each environmental impact category associated with the IS Checklist. When the evaluation identifies potential significant effects, mitigation measures are provided to reduce such impacts to less-than-significant levels.

**4.0 List of Preparers and Persons Consulted:** This section provides a list of persons and consultant team members that participated in the preparation of the IS, as well as sources consulted and cited during the preparation of the IS.

## 2.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

### 2.1 INTRODUCTION

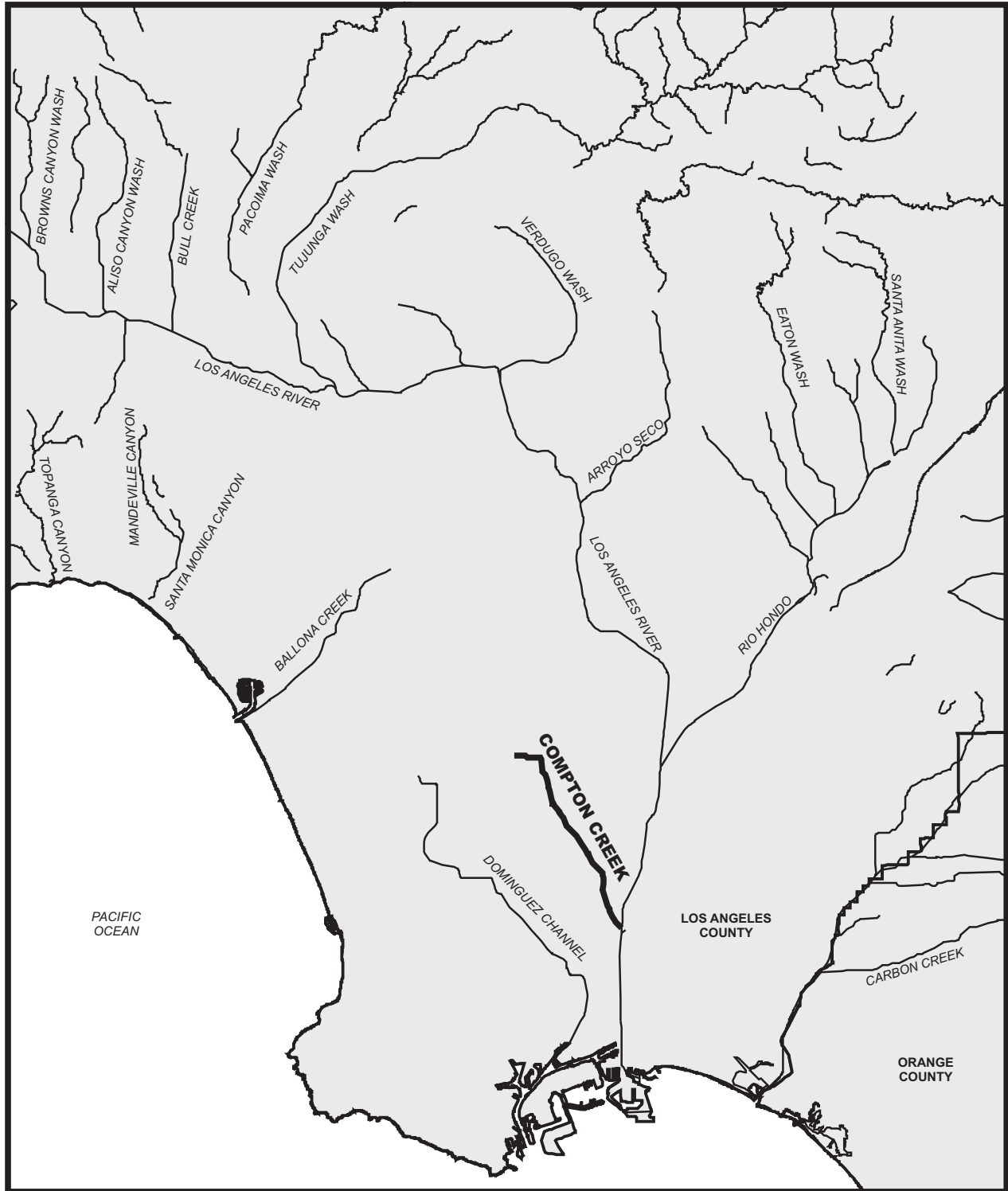
This section provides a general description of the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan (Master Plan or proposed project). Since the proposed project is a plan rather than an individual project, the description of potential development under the plan is programmatic. Nonetheless, the intent of the description and the following analysis is to streamline future environmental review for reasonably foreseeable development. Individual construction and other project-specific impacts will be evaluated on a project-by-project basis. However, development that is not consistent with the assumptions contained in this document may require additional environmental review. This section identifies the proposed project objectives, the regional and project area location, existing setting, surrounding land uses, characteristics of the proposed project, and the anticipated schedule of construction activities. The Master Plan is contained in its entirety in Appendix A of this IS/MND.

### 2.2 PROJECT BACKGROUND

Compton Creek is a major tributary of the Los Angeles River. The Compton Creek Watershed is located in the southern portion of the Los Angeles Basin and drains a 42.1-square-mile area, which includes portions of 14 cities. Compton Creek, 8.5 miles in length, begins just east of South Main Street between 107<sup>th</sup> and 108<sup>th</sup> Streets in the City of Los Angeles and flows into the Los Angeles River in the City of Long Beach, just south of Del Amo Boulevard and the Long Beach Freeway (I-710) (**Figure 2-1**). Compton Creek is federally-listed as an impaired waterway. Typical Compton Creek pollutants from stormwater and urban runoff include trash, bacteria, viruses, heavy metals, pesticides, petroleum hydrocarbons, and other organic compounds. Other sources of pollutants entering Compton Creek include leaking underground storage tanks and septic systems, contaminated groundwater, and horse stables. The Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council has identified metals, trash, and bacteria as the key pollutants of concern in Compton Creek.

In the City of Compton, there exists a deficiency of parks for the resident population per the City-specific standards. There are 13 parks within the City of Compton that comprise a total of 58.3 acres. With a population of 97,300 persons (2008 Census estimate), this translates into only 0.60 acres of open space per 1,000 residents, far below the City standard of two acres per 1,000 residents. Given the presence of two existing parks and several schools located along Compton Creek, the Master Plan seeks to capitalize on opportunities for creating an open space corridor.

Community workshops were held to determine specific locations of where community members felt improvements should occur along Compton Creek. During the community workshops, residents collaborated to develop innovative landscape strategies at key locations along Compton Creek. Based upon public input, surveys, planning initiatives, existing developments, and physical characteristics, the Master Plan outlines the opportunities and existing constraints along Compton Creek. Additionally, the community members were presented plans, renderings, signage concepts, and material studies illustrating the developing vision for a vibrant, multi-dimensional Compton Creek. Participants were able to comment on parcel-by-parcel opportunities, constraints, and recommended improvements.



LEGEND:

**Compton Creek**

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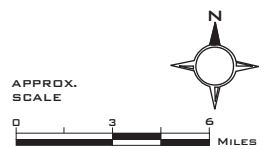


FIGURE 2-1

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LOS ANGELES BASIN

As discussed in Chapter 1.0 Introduction, the City Council of the City of Compton adopted the Master Plan in 2006. The Master Plan takes into consideration the already-built multi-use trail along the east bank and the equestrian trails along the west bank of Compton Creek and includes options for modifying Compton Creek and its banks. These options ranged from placing an in-channel bicycle path to naturalizing the Creek. Although the existing bicycle and multi-use path are still considered, the channel modification options are no longer being considered as part of the Master Plan. This environmental analysis updates the potential impacts of the other elements of the Master Plan in Section 2.6 below.

## 2.3 PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the Master Plan is to redevelop the City's existing flood control channel and adjacent land into a safe, ecologically beneficial, multi-use, public greenway. The Master Plan envisions Compton Creek as a livable, walkable, urban community that is orientated to and informed by Compton Creek. Implementation of the Master Plan will result in a 3.45-mile-long park system of gardens, plazas, trails, habitats, outdoor classrooms, and promenades. The goals and objectives of the Master Plan are described in **Table 2-1**.

| TABLE 2-1: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE MASTER PLAN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Objectives                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Goal #1: Promoting Ecology and Environment</b><br><br>This goal recognizes the regional and local significance of Compton Creek and its importance as a defining feature for the City. New development along Compton Creek should preserve and restore the sustainability and ecology of Compton Creek. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve Riparian Habitat Quality and Quantity</li> <li>• Integrate and Recommend Watershed Best Management Practices</li> <li>• Improve Water Quality</li> <li>• Instill Stewardship Principles</li> <li>• Create a Native Plant Landscape</li> <li>• Maintain and Improve Flood Protection</li> <li>• Utilize Sustainable Practices and Materials to Conserve Materials and Energy</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Goal #2: Expanding and Enhancing Compton Creek</b><br><br>Compton Creek has the potential to add great value to the City and to transform the urban environment within the City. Restoration and enhancement of Compton Creek should be made so that it expands its presence within the City.           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reestablish Creek Identity within the City</li> <li>• Create adjacent Open Spaces and Development that Enhance the Natural Qualities of Compton Creek</li> <li>• Increase and Improve Open Space and Recreation Opportunities</li> <li>• Connect Open Space to Compton Creek</li> <li>• Improve Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Equestrian Access and Safety</li> <li>• Reinforce Visual Connections to Compton Creek</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Goal #3: Improving Community and the City</b><br><br>In order for Compton Creek to be inseparable from the City identity, its presence should extend beyond the edges of adjacent neighborhoods and development.                                                                                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement Multi-Objective Planning Projects</li> <li>• Provide a Framework for Public Recreation and Non-Motorized Transportation</li> <li>• Improve Environmental Awareness and Stewardship</li> <li>• Improve Public Health</li> <li>• Enhance Public Safety</li> <li>• Extend and Relate the Fabric of the City to Compton Creek</li> <li>• Link Natural Systems to Economic Development</li> <li>• Improve Access to Public Amenities</li> <li>• Reinforce and Improve East-West connections to and across Compton Creek</li> <li>• Connect Creek-adjacent schools to Compton Creek</li> </ul> |
| <b>SOURCE:</b> Mia Lehrer & Associates, <i>Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan</i> , 2006.                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

## 2.4 PROJECT LOCATION

### Regional Location

The Master Plan includes Compton Creek that is located within the City of Compton and the land directly adjacent to the Creek. The City of Compton is located in the central basin section of Los Angeles County, ten miles south of downtown Los Angeles (**Figure 2-2**). The City encompasses approximately ten square miles. The Glenn Anderson Freeway (I-105), the Harbor Freeway (I-110) and I-710 and State Route (SR) 91 outline the general boundaries of the City of Compton and provide regional access to and from the City.

The City of Compton is bordered by the unincorporated Los Angeles County community of Willowbrook on the north and northwest, the unincorporated Los Angeles County community of West Rancho Dominguez on the west, the City of Carson on the southwest, the unincorporated Los Angeles County community of Rancho Dominguez on the south, the City of Long Beach on the southeast, the City of Paramount and the unincorporated Los Angeles County community of East Compton on the east, and the City of Lynwood on the northeast.

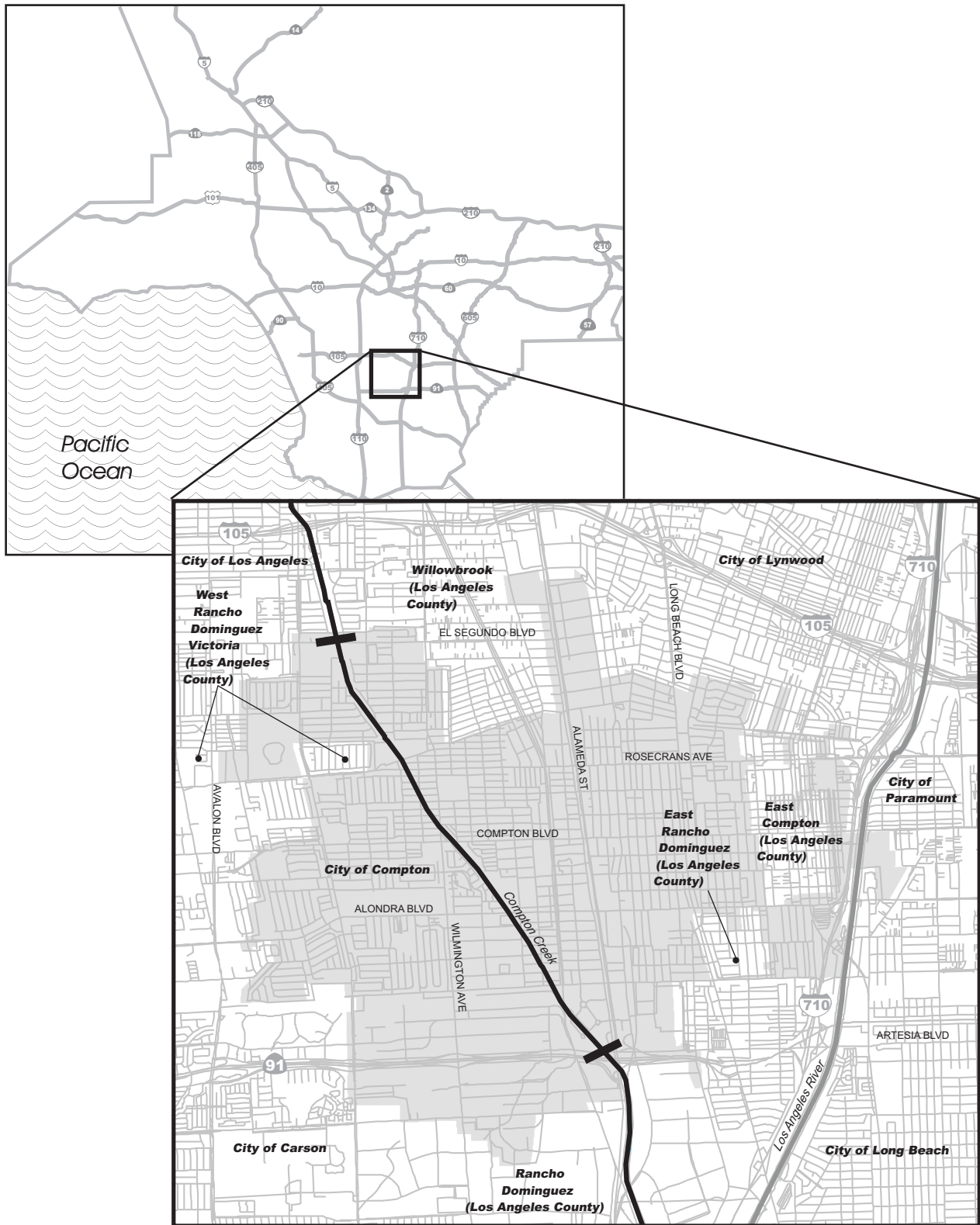
The City of Compton has a comprehensive transportation system that has resulted in its nickname, “the Hub City.” Four regional highways (I-110 from Pasadena to San Pedro; I-710 from Alhambra to Long Beach; I-105 from El Segundo to Norwalk; and SR-91 from Redondo Beach to Riverside) form the general boundaries of the City. The Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, located 8.5 miles from downtown Compton, provides access to international leisure destinations and industries. The Alameda Corridor, a rail and truck route for 25 percent of all U.S. waterborne international trade, also runs through the City. The Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) is located approximately 11 miles from the City and, the City also has a general aviation airport, the Compton/Woodley Airport. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Blue Line light rail connects downtown Los Angeles to Long Beach and has two stops in the City of Compton, the Compton Station and the Artesia Station.

### Compton Creek Master Plan Area Location

Like many hydrological systems, Compton Creek and its watershed cover an area larger than its political boundaries. The Master Plan focuses on a 3.45-mile stretch of Compton Creek that is within the City of Compton, from El Segundo Boulevard to Artesia Boulevard (**Figure 2-3**). In the City, Compton Creek is predominately a concrete-lined, U-shaped channel. However, from approximately Greenleaf Boulevard to the southern limit of the City, Compton Creek is earth-bottomed and naturalized, with V-shaped embankments.

## 2.5 OVERVIEW OF SURROUNDING LAND USES AND ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

The area surrounding and adjacent to Compton Creek within the City of Compton is highly developed, containing land use types that range from low-density residential to heavy manufacturing. The majority of land uses surrounding Compton Creek are low- and medium-density residential, with some housing built directly adjacent to the Compton Creek right-of-way (ROW). In addition, two commercial corridors intersect Compton Creek at Compton Boulevard and Alondra Boulevard. Industrial corridors intersect Compton Creek at Rosecrans Avenue and Greenleaf Boulevard. South of Greenleaf Boulevard, and on the west side of Compton Creek, there is a large heavy-manufacturing-zoned industrial area. There are also four schools (Centennial High School, McNair Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, and Compton High School) and two parks (Gonzales and Raymond Street Parks) adjacent to Compton Creek. The existing land uses are presented in **Figure 2-4**.

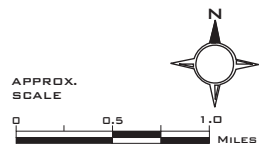


LEGEND:

 Compton Creek Master Plan Area

 City of Compton

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



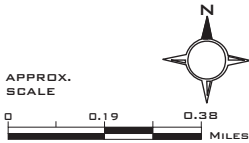
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LEGEND:

-  Compton Creek Master Plan Area
-  City Boundaries

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



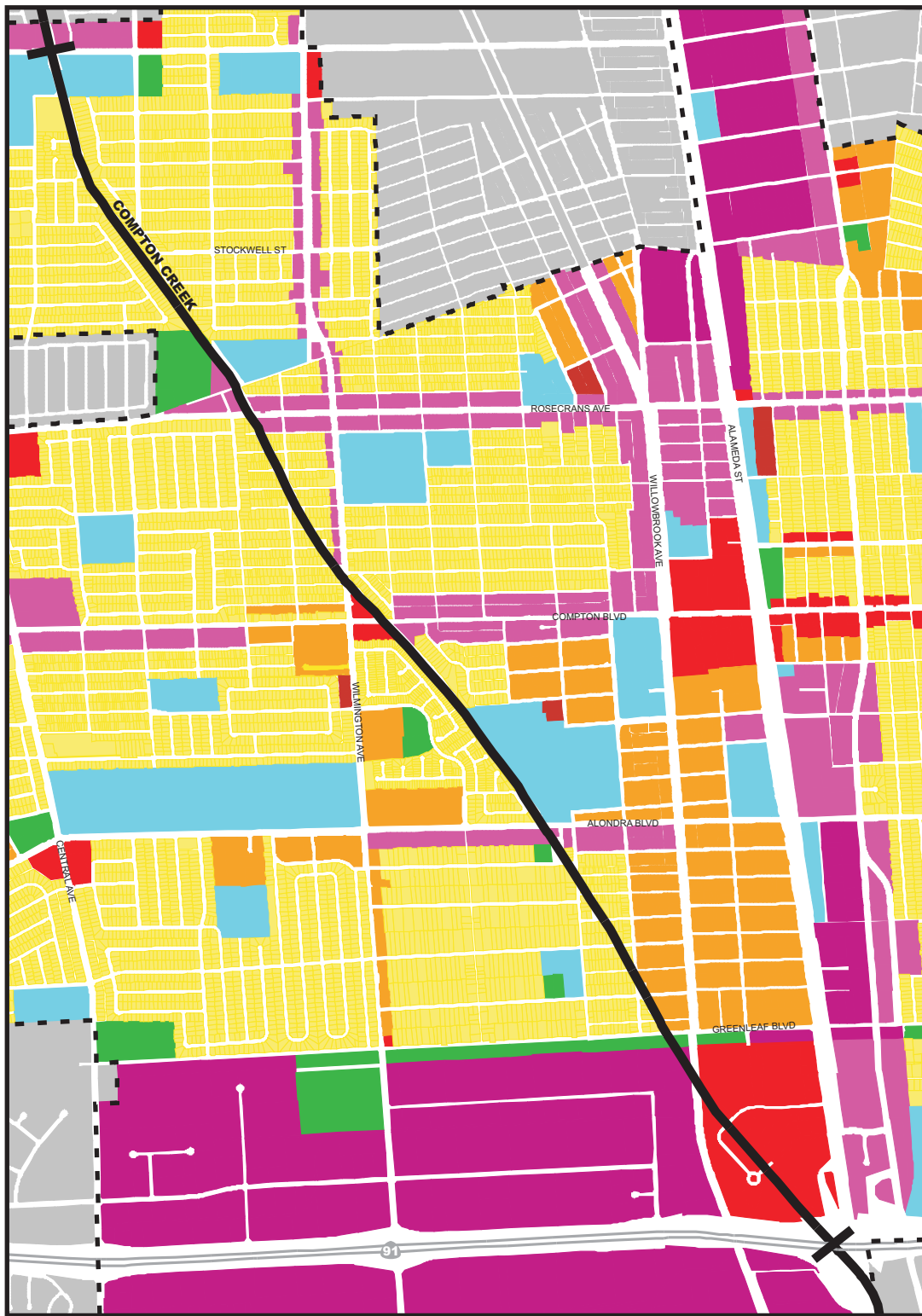
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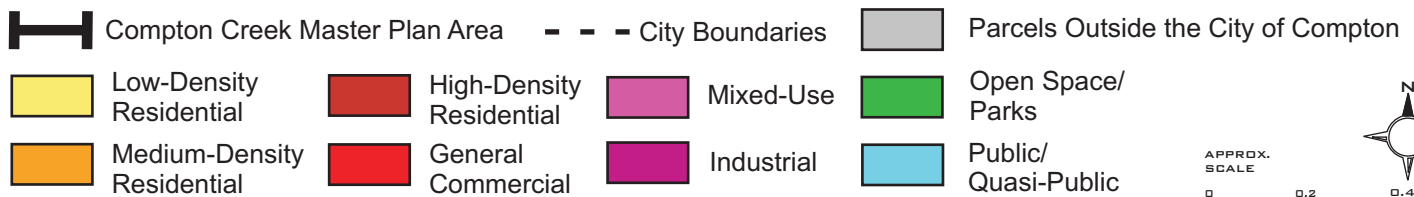
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FIGURE 2-3

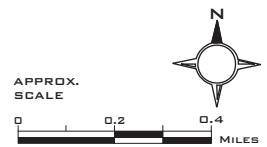
PROJECT AREA



## LEGEND:



SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



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FIGURE 2-4

SURROUNDING LAND USES

## 2.6 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Master Plan is intended to serve as a guide to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. In addition, the Master Plan provides long-term recommendations to improve water quality and restore natural habitat. The Master Plan identifies locations for potential components such as tree plantings; amenities such as trash receptacles and drinking fountains; parks and programs such as playgrounds and athletic facilities; and communication improvements such as way-finding signs. The Master Plan is the result of a collaborative stakeholder effort that includes City and civic leaders, citizens, urban designers, architects, landscape architects, and economic and environmental consultants. Stakeholders were brought together in a series of meetings which culminated in the development of the Master Plan.

The Master Plan focuses at a detailed scale on the ecological, development, and circulation issues within the City of Compton. At this local scale, the Master Plan outlines opportunities and existing constraints along Compton Creek. The Master Plan identifies ten “Creek Systems” that suggest systematic improvements of typical spaces and urban types adjacent to Compton Creek. The Master Plan includes a parcel-by-parcel analysis, detailing prioritized recommendations for site-specific landscapes and amenities, channel modifications, graphics and signage, security strategies, and material and plant guidelines. The Master Plan is shown in **Figures 2-5** through **2-7**, which also shows all of the areas along Compton Creek that represent different possibilities for new infrastructure, programs, and amenities.

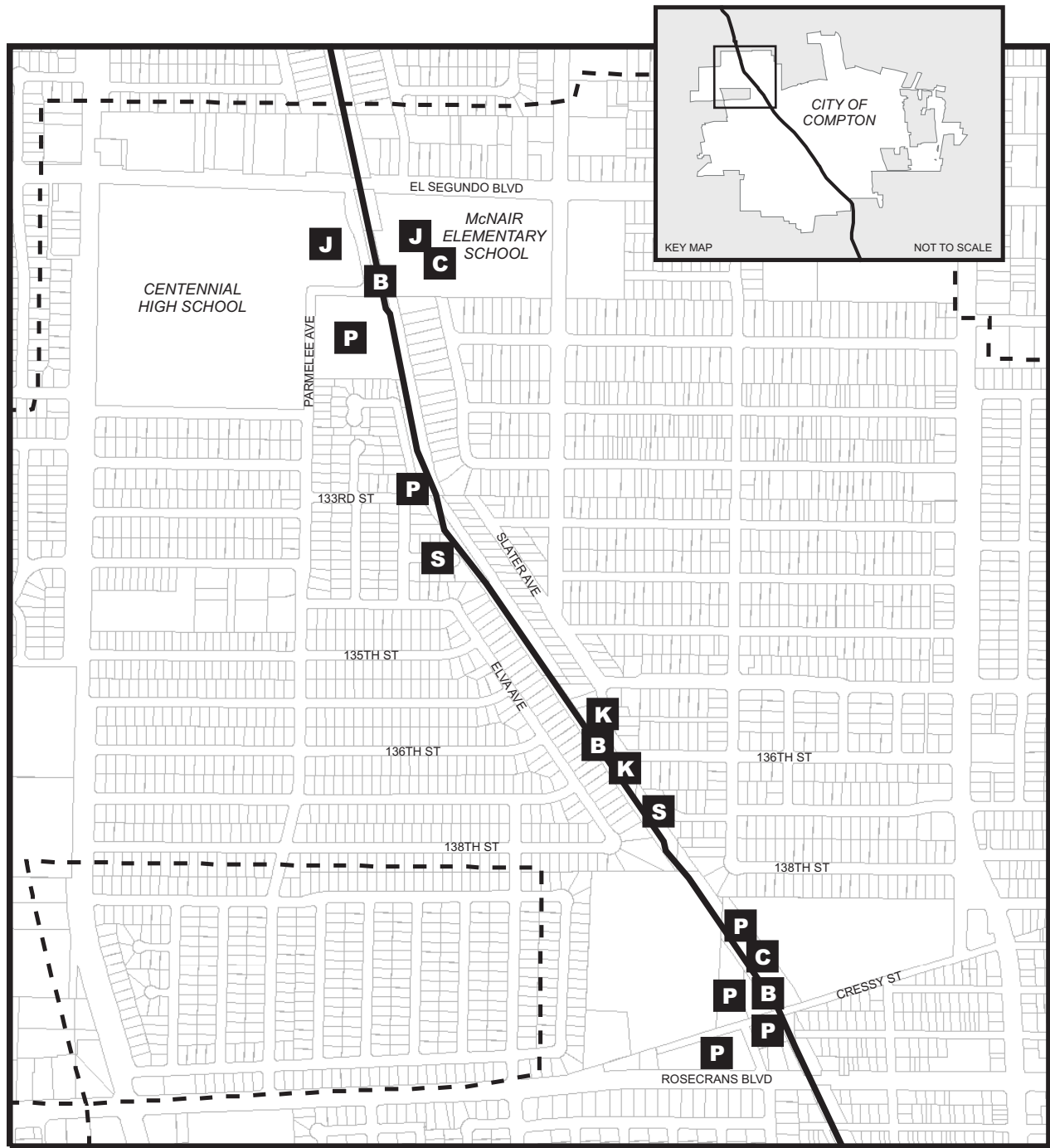
### Master Plan Districts

As shown in **Figures 2-5** through **2-7**, the Master Plan divides the portion of Compton Creek that is located within the City of Compton into three adjacent districts:

**The Recreational Loop.** The Recreational Loop is a 1.02-mile segment of Compton Creek that contains a variety of active, existing recreational open space opportunities. These opportunities utilize the Compton Creek ROW and adjacent land as a recreational circuit. The Recreational Loop extends along Compton Creek from El Segundo Boulevard to Rosecrans Avenue.

**The Civic Parkway.** The Civic Parkway is a 1.22-mile segment of Compton Creek located a few blocks away from the City of Compton Civic Center, in the vicinity of public resources such as City Hall and the public library. The Civic Parkway extends along Compton Creek from Rosecrans Avenue to Alondra Boulevard.

**The Ecological Greenway.** The Ecological Greenway is a 1.21-mile segment of Compton Creek where it transitions from a vertical channel section to a trapezoidal banked section, with a naturalized bed. Compton Creek remains naturalized for 2.5 miles from this point until it reaches the Los Angeles River. The Ecological Greenway extends along Compton Creek from Alondra Boulevard to SR-91.



## LEGEND:

**—** Compton Creek

**- - -** City Boundaries

**B** Pedestrian Bridge

**J** Joint-Use Parcel

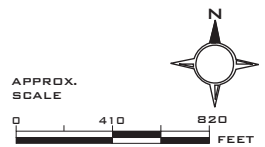
**S** Street End Park

**C** Outdoor Classroom

**P** Park

**K** Pocket Park

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



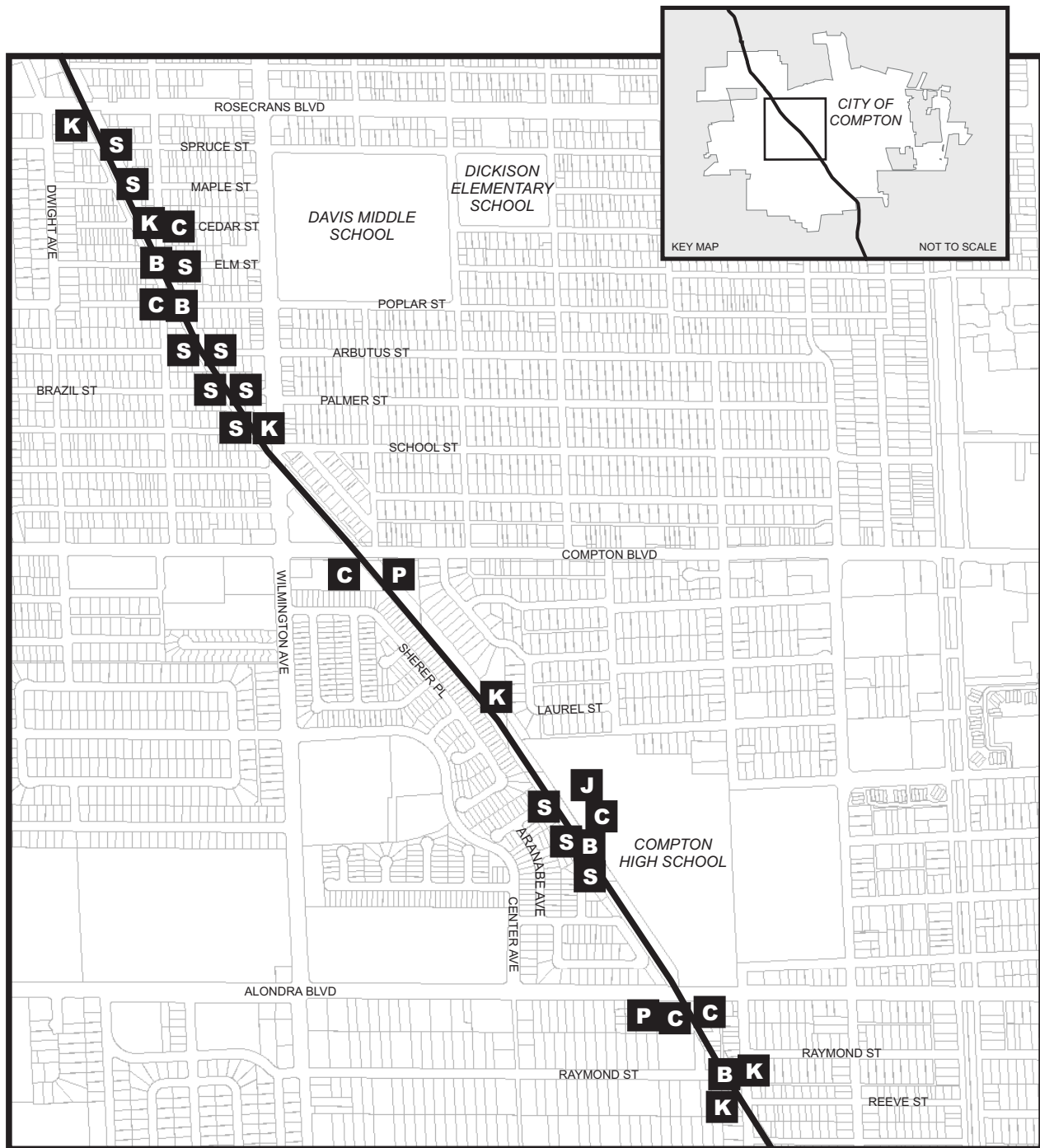
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FIGURE 2-5

CREEK SYSTEMS  
RECREATION LOOP

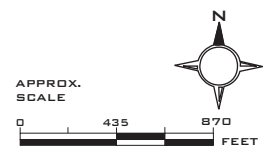
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LEGEND:

- Compton Creek
- Pedestrian Bridge
- Joint-Use Parcel
- Street End Park
- Outdoor Classroom
- Park
- Pocket Park

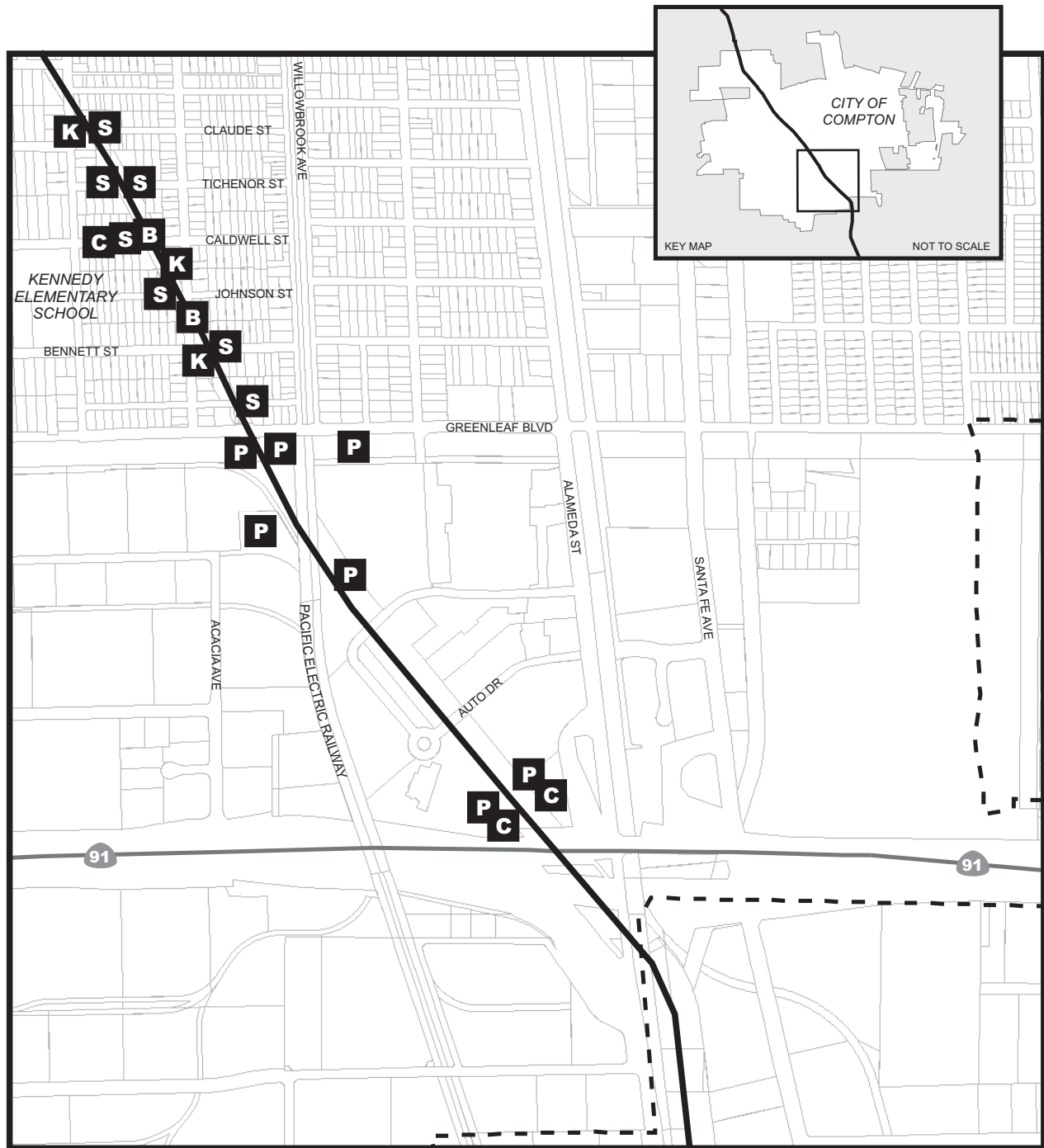
SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



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FIGURE 2-6

CREEK SYSTEMS  
CIVIC PARKWAY



LEGEND:

Compton Creek

City Boundaries

**B** Pedestrian Bridge

**S** Street End Park

**K** Pocket Park

**C** Outdoor Classroom

**P** Park

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.

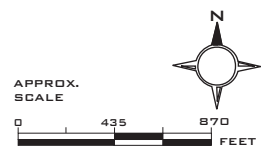


FIGURE 2-7

**Creek Systems**

The Master Plan identifies ten Creek Systems which are systematic improvements of typical spaces and urban types along Compton Creek. The Creek Systems are site-specific and identified in **Figures 2-5** through **2-7**. The ten Creek Systems are summarized in **Table 2-2**.

| <b>TABLE 2-2: MASTER PLAN CREEK SYSTEMS</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Creek System</b>                         | <b>Purpose/Goal</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Parks (4 Potential Locations)               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offer greatest opportunities to redefine Compton Creek as a rich ecological and recreational corridor</li> <li>• Offer opportunity to highlight the importance of Compton Creek.</li> <li>• Implement structural best management practices (BMPs) and other landscape features to protect and enhance Compton Creek</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Pocket Parks (4 Potential Locations)        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Serve as links and buffers between the local neighborhoods and Compton Creek.</li> <li>• Help protect Compton Creek from dumping and stormwater runoff</li> <li>• Become neighborhood gathering points and gateways to Compton Creek</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Street-End Parks (3 Potential Locations)    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use existing cul-de-sacs</li> <li>• Establish and improve points of entry to Compton Creek</li> <li>• Enhance neighborhoods</li> <li>• Create a vital connection with the waterway and communities on the opposite bank of Compton Creek</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Outdoor Classrooms (4 Potential Locations)  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide opportunity to create a networked system of environmental learning through the establishment of outdoor classrooms with Creek-side adjacent schools</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Joint-Use Spaces (2 Potential Locations)    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incorporate schools' open space to provide additional Compton Creek-adjacent public spaces.</li> <li>• Enhance Compton Creek frontage.</li> <li>• Utilize available joint-use grants may to beautify Compton Creek and its adjacent schools</li> <li>• Reinforce schools as models of multi-program nodes that catalyze further improvements along Compton Creek</li> <li>• Expand the perceived width of the Compton Creek ROW</li> </ul>                                                                                |
| Enhanced Bike Paths (2 Potential Locations) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extend network of safe routes (e.g. to the beach)</li> <li>• Enhance the quality, character, and function of the path.</li> <li>• Provide opportunity to introduce a continuous structural BMP along Compton Creek's edge that serves to decrease direct run-off</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Multi-Use Trails                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a softer surface, wider planting strips, and elements more conducive to passive uses</li> <li>• Invoke some of the rich textures of Compton's agrarian history</li> <li>• Change the way Compton Creek looks and feels by encouraging equestrians to ride on the multi-use trail</li> <li>• Provide linear structures, planting, and amenities along the existing ROW that would complement the flow of Compton Creek.</li> <li>• Use native planting to enhance experience and filter polluted runoff</li> </ul> |

**TABLE 2-2: MASTER PLAN CREEK SYSTEMS**

| Creek System                                                                                          | Purpose/Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Pedestrian Bridges (3 Potential Locations)                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhance the character and utility of Compton Creek</li> <li>Serve as important links and landmarks</li> <li>Provide a unique perspective of Compton Creek</li> <li>Recognize Compton Creek as a unique landscape feature, not a dividing infrastructure</li> <li>Utilize structural supports (abutments) of vehicular bridges that remain</li> <li>Install with small parks, plazas, or recreation areas, especially in areas with few existing parks</li> </ul> |
| Creek Streets (2 Potential Locations)                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase awareness of Compton Creek</li> <li>Expand Compton Creek into neighborhoods</li> <li>Communicate how Compton streets are hydrologically linked to Compton Creek</li> <li>Communicate how improvements to stormwater systems will improve Compton Creek water quality</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Enhanced Crossings (3 Potential Locations)                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create continuous trail system with direct and safe crossings</li> <li>Provide invaluable local transportation asset</li> <li>Allow users to experience the continuity of Compton Creek</li> <li>Improve trail system and usage of trail system by all user groups</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>SOURCE:</b> Mia Lehrer & Associates, <i>Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan</i> , 2006. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

## Other Elements of the Master Plan

**Landscape.** The majority of open space within the City is dominated by traditional landscapes including large areas of turf grass, non-native trees, and non-native shrubs. The Master Plan outlines new planting requirements along Compton Creek using sustainable native plants. The benefits of this landscape strategy include restoring visual and natural identity to Compton Creek, providing habitats for migratory and indigenous wildlife, and enhancing local microclimates.

**Building Materials.** The Master Plan proposes to utilize materials that establish an attractive, cohesive, natural appearance for Compton Creek. Pedestrian trails would be paved with permeable surfaces, such as decomposed granite. Impermeable surfaces would be restricted to bikeways, vehicle access ramps, and ADA-compliant ramps. General amenities would include benches, lights, water fountains, trash receptacles, and trail markers.

**Signage and Way-Finding.** The Master Plan proposes a clear and engaging signage strategy that establishes a graphic identity for Compton Creek and directs visitors to its amenities. Interpretive signage at key locations along Compton Creek would describe the history and ecology of the waterway and the development of the region's neighborhoods and diverse cultures. Directional, informative, and interpretive signage throughout Compton Creek would be designed to complement its character.

**Safety and Security.** The Master Plan prioritizes the implementation of mechanisms that increase public safety. Trails located alongside the channel will be ADA compliant. Bright, consistent lighting and motion-activated lights along paths and within parks would create an inviting atmosphere at night. Safe traffic crossings would link pedestrian and bike paths with equestrian trails. Other incorporated safety strategies requested by the public include installing surveillance cameras and establishing security watch groups along Compton Creek.

**Recreation.** The Master Plan contains a linear fitness network and a series of recreational facilities. The linear fitness network consists of measured running loops and a unique course integrated with future and existing pocket parks, street-end parks, joint-use spaces, and parks. Recreational facilities, such as sports fields, are integrated into the system to create a diverse and multi-use set of facilities.

**Public Art.** The Master Plan recommends a series of public art projects to enhance Compton Creek. Art work would consist of murals, custom site amenities, decorative fences, gardens, monumental sculptures, signage, and measures of physical processes within the channel (such as historic flood markers).

## 2.7 PHASING AND ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE FOR THE MASTER PLAN

The Master Plan would be completed in four separate phases (**Table 2-3**).

| TABLE 2-3: PHASING AND ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE FOR THE MASTER PLAN                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Phase                                                                                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Phase #1: Reconnect and Restore (Years 1-2)                                                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completion of a Multi-Use Trail</li> <li>• Regional Extension of Existing Bike Path</li> <li>• Event and public art programming</li> <li>• First stage of way-finding and interpretive signage</li> <li>• Enhanced pedestrian crossings at streets</li> <li>• Establish outdoor classroom network</li> <li>• Begin pocket parks and street end parks</li> </ul>                                     |
| Phase #2: Fill and Inform (Years 3-5)                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extend Creek to School and Parks</li> <li>• First stage of target site acquisition</li> <li>• Open space public/private partnerships</li> <li>• New pedestrian bridges</li> <li>• Second stage of way-finding and interpretive signage</li> <li>• Joint-use programs with existing schools</li> <li>• BMP demonstration projects at parks and schools</li> <li>• Neighborhood scale BMPs</li> </ul> |
| Phase #3: Connect and Extend (Years 10-15)                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Second Stage of Target Site Acquisition</li> <li>• Extend Creek into City with Arterial Greening</li> <li>• Convert Unused Streets to Park Space</li> <li>• Public Spaces Above Existing Bridge Structures</li> <li>• East Power Line Easement as Park Space</li> <li>• Local-Scale BMPs</li> </ul>                                                                                                 |
| Phase #4: Creek Zone Network (Years 15+)                                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greening of Neighborhood Streets</li> <li>• West Power Line Easement as Public Space</li> <li>• Regional-Scale BMPs Online</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>SOURCE:</b> Mia Lehrer & Associates, <i>Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan</i> , 2006. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

### 3.0 INITIAL STUDY EVALUATION AND MITIGATION MEASURES

#### 3.1 AESTHETICS (AE)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                       | Potentially Significant Impact | Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated | Less-Than-Significant Impact        | No Impact                           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?                                                                                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway? | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

#### a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista. A scenic vista refers to a view of a focal point or panoramic views of broader geographic areas that have visual interest. A focal point view consists of a view of a notable object, building, or setting. A panoramic view is generally a wide-angle view that extends into the distance. An impact to a scenic vista would occur if the bulk or design of a building or development contrasts enough with a visually interesting view, so that the quality of the view is permanently affected. The project area is highly urbanized and predominately developed with residential, commercial, and industrial land uses. No designated scenic vista or other designated scenic resources are identified in the project area.

The Compton Creek Master Plan proposes to improve the visual character of Compton Creek. The proposed project would replace urban and industrial vistas of little aesthetic value with more natural scenic vistas that would improve aesthetic value. Natural features would include open space, native and/or ornamental vegetation and landscaping, and recreational and educational space. Urban features that would be replaced include fencing and vacant lands, which are not features of high value, such as architectural or historical structures of visual significance or prominence. The proposed project will enhance the urban landscape by creating focal views of natural elements within the urban environment. Therefore, a beneficial impact related to scenic vistas would occur.

#### Mitigation Measures

None required.

**b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcrops, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan could substantially damage scenic resources within a State Highway. There are no roadways adjacent to, or in the vicinity of, the project area that are designated as scenic highways.<sup>1</sup> The nearest State-designated scenic highway is Route 1, located approximately 12.5 miles northwest of the project area. The majority of Compton Creek in the City of Compton is a concrete-lined channel with no distinctive scenic resources. At the southern end of Compton Creek within City limits, there is natural vegetation, including trees. However, the area is not designated by the City as a scenic resource. Therefore, no impact related to scenic resources would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**c) Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan could substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the project area and its surroundings. Significant impacts to the visual character of a site and its surroundings are generally based on the removal of features with aesthetic value, the introduction of contrasting urban features into a local area, and the degree to which the elements of the proposed project detract from the visual character of an area.

The Master Plan area is highly urbanized and predominately developed with residential, commercial, and industrial uses. **Figure 3-1** shows a typical residential neighborhood abutting the Creek. A majority of the concrete-lined Creek is enclosed by chain-link fence with little or no scenic features on either bank. **Figure 3-1** also shows that other sections of the Creek are completely blocked off from the neighborhood with fencing or concrete walls.

As mentioned above, the Master Plan proposes to improve the visual character of Compton Creek and the surrounding area by adding natural features along its banks. The proposed project would replace urban elements of low aesthetic value such as chain-link fences and concrete with more natural elements, such as parks and green corridors that would improve the visual character of the Creek and of the communities adjacent to Compton Creek. In addition to parks and green corridors, native and/or ornamental vegetation, landscaping, and recreational space would be included as part of the Master Plan. The proposed project will positively enhance the urban landscape by creating focal views of natural elements within the urban environment and improving the visual character of Compton Creek and the adjacent areas. Therefore, a beneficial impact related to the visual character or quality of the project area and its surroundings would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>1</sup>California Scenic Highway Mapping System website, [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LandArch/scenic\\_highways/index.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LandArch/scenic_highways/index.htm), accessed September 28, 2010.



View of existing Compton Creek conditions at Greenleaf Boulevard looking north.



View of Compton Creek blocked off from the neighborhood along Baron Avenue.

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



FIGURE 3-1

**d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan caused light and glare that would substantially alter the character of off-site areas surrounding the project area or interfered with the performance of an off-site activity. Light impacts are typically associated with the use of artificial light during the evening and nighttime hours. Glare is caused by the reflection of sunlight or artificial light from highly polished surfaces, such as window glass and reflective cladding materials, and may interfere with the safe operation of a motor vehicle on adjacent streets. Daytime glare generation is common in urban areas and is typically associated with mid- to high-rise buildings with exterior façades largely or entirely comprised of highly reflective glass or mirror-like materials. Nighttime glare is primarily associated with bright lighting that contrasts with existing low ambient light conditions.

The area surrounding Compton Creek is urbanized and predominately developed with residential, commercial, and institutional uses, where ambient nighttime light levels are low to medium. The surrounding uses typically use low levels of interior and exterior lighting for security, parking, signage, architectural highlighting, and landscaping. The streets in the area surrounding Compton Creek are lined with light fixtures, and traffic on these streets contributes to overall ambient lighting levels as well. The proposed project would include moderate levels of exterior lighting for security, walkways, bikeways, equestrian paths, landscaping, etc. Lighting would be directed and/or shielded to limit light spillover effects. As stated in the Master Plan, “All improvements shall ensure public safety in accordance with established regulations of the City of Compton and other applicable government agencies.” Given the degree of ambient lighting that currently exists in the project area, including the residential cul-de-sac streets designated for pocket parks, the proposed lighting would not substantially alter ambient night light levels.

The potential for daytime glare exists with any structure containing glass or other reflective trim or cladding materials. No buildings are proposed in the Master Plan, and most existing structures within the project area are low-scale and comprised of non-reflective materials, such as concrete, wood, and stucco. Any potential glare effects associated with building materials would be similar to those of any building in the area and would be limited and temporary, changing with the movement of the sun throughout the course of the day and the seasons of the year. Therefore, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to light or glare. However, implementation of Mitigation Measures AE1 and AE2 would reduce these significant impacts to less than significant.

**Mitigation Measures**

- AE1** Applicant shall ensure that all lighting be directed and/or shielded to minimize lighting spillover effects onto adjacent and nearby properties.
- AE2** Applicant shall ensure that glare effects be limited by using non-reflective building and construction materials, such as concrete, wood, and stucco. This shall include, but not be limited to, art installations, fencing material, and recreational equipment.

### 3.2 AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES (AG)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Potentially Significant Impact | Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated | Less-Than-Significant Impact | No Impact                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act Contract?                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))? | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural uses?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would convert valued farmland to non-agricultural uses. No agricultural uses or operations are present within the Master Plan area and the project area is not included in the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency.<sup>2</sup> No agricultural lands would be modified under the Master Plan. Therefore, no impacts related to conversion of agricultural lands would occur.

#### Mitigation Measures

None required.

<sup>2</sup>State of California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program website, [http://www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/FMMP/overview/survey\\_area\\_map.htm](http://www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/FMMP/overview/survey_area_map.htm), accessed September 20, 2010.

**b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan conflicted with existing agricultural zoning or agricultural parcels enrolled under the Williamson Act. The majority of land within the City of Compton and surrounding areas is zoned for residential, commercial, and industrial land uses. However, there is a residential neighborhood adjacent to the project area zoned as Residential Agriculture (**Figure 3-2**). This zone is established to provide for the development of large one-family home sites in a limited agricultural environment. The lots are typically 0.5- to 1-acre in size. This zone allows for commercial field crops to be grown; however, all of this land is developed with residences. No Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance is present within the City. Likewise, neither the project area nor any nearby lands are enrolled under the Williamson Act. Therefore, no impacts related to Williamson Act lands would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan conflicted with existing zoning for, or caused rezoning of forest land,<sup>3</sup> timberland,<sup>4</sup> or timberland zoned Timberland Production. The project area is not zoned for forestry purposes, and no timberland zoning is present in the vicinity of Compton Creek or within the City of Compton. Therefore, no impact related to forest or timber lands would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use. The project area and the area in the vicinity of Compton Creek are highly urbanized and do not contain forest land. Therefore, no impact related to conversion of forest land would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>3</sup>Forest Land defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g): "Forest land is land that can support 10-percent native tree cover of any species, including hardwoods, under natural conditions, and that allows for management of one or more forest resources, including timber, aesthetics, fish and wildlife, biodiversity, water quality, recreation, and other public benefits."

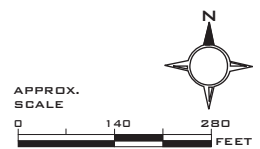
<sup>4</sup>Timberland defined in Public Resources Code section 4526: "Timberland means land, other than land owned by the federal government and land designated by the board as experimental forest land, which is available for, and capable of, growing a crop of trees of any commercial species used to produce lumber and other forest products, including Christmas trees. Commercial species shall be determined by the board on a district basis after consultation with the district committees and others."



LEGEND:

-  Compton Creek
-  Residential Agriculture Zone

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan  
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FIGURE 3-2

RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURE ZONE

**e) Involve other changes in the existing environment, which due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan caused the conversion of farmland to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use. As described in 3.2a and 3.2b, the Master Plan would not develop agricultural land or Farmland, and would not have an impact on the land zoned Residential Agriculture and, therefore, the proposed project would not directly or indirectly cause the conversion of farmland to non-agricultural uses. As described in 3.2c and 3.2d, there is no forest land on or near the project area and, therefore, the proposed project would not directly or indirectly cause the conversion of forest land to non-forest uses. Therefore, no impact related to agricultural, farm, forest, or timber lands would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

### 3.3 AIR QUALITY (AQ)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Potentially Significant Impact | Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated | Less-Than-Significant Impact        | No Impact                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?                                                                                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)? | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

#### a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would conflict or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality management plan. The applicable air quality plan for the project site is the 2007 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP), developed by the Southern California Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). The SCAQMD has indicated that a project is consistent with the 2007 AQMP if the proposed project is consistent with the applicable General Plan's land use zoning. As discussed in Section 3.10, Land Use and Planning, the project area has a variety of land uses and zoning designations within its boundaries. Implementation of the Master Plan will not conflict with these designations. In contrast to any inconsistencies with applicable plans, policies, or zoning designations, the proposed project meets several goals and policies from the Conservation/Open Space/Parks and Recreation Element of the adopted General Plan. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to consistency with the AQMP.

#### Mitigation Measures

None required.

**b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation. Construction of the proposed project has the potential to create air quality impacts through the use of heavy-duty construction equipment and through vehicle trips generated from construction workers traveling to and from the project area. Fugitive dust emissions would primarily result from demolition and site preparation activities, and carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>), and sulfur oxide (SO<sub>x</sub>) emissions would primarily result from the use of construction equipment. During the finishing phase, paving operations would release volatile organic compounds (VOC). The assessment of construction air quality impacts considers each of these potential sources. Construction emissions can vary substantially from day to day, depending on the level of activity, the specific type of operation, and for dust, the prevailing weather conditions.

It is mandatory for all construction projects in the South Coast Air Basin to comply with SCAQMD Rule 403 for fugitive dust. Specific Rule 403 control requirements include, but are not limited to, applying water in sufficient quantities to prevent the generation of visible dust plumes, applying soil binders to uncovered areas, reestablishing ground cover as quickly as possible, utilizing a wheel washing system to remove bulk material from tires and vehicle undercarriages before vehicles exit the project site, and maintaining effective cover over exposed areas. Compliance with Rule 403 would reduce regional particulate matter 2.5 microns or smaller in size (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) and particulate matter 10 microns or smaller in size (PM<sub>10</sub>) emissions associated with construction activities by approximately 61 percent.

URBEMIS2007 was used to estimate the majority of daily construction emissions. Fugitive dust emissions were estimated using spreadsheets used by the SCAQMD to calculate localized emissions. Detailed construction information was not available when this analysis was completed. The following conservative assumptions were used to determine maximum daily construction emissions.

- Seven pieces of equipment operating simultaneously for eight hours per day.
- 50 heavy-duty trucks per day
- 0.5 acres of land and 400 cubic yards of soil disturbed per day
- 0.25 acres paved per day

**Table 3-1** shows the estimated daily regional and localized emissions associated with each construction phase. Construction emissions would not exceed the SCAQMD regional and localized thresholds during construction activity. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to construction emissions.

**TABLE 3-1: ESTIMATED DAILY CONSTRUCTION EMISSIONS**

| General Construction                                                                         | Pounds Per Day |                 |            |                 |                   |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|
|                                                                                              | VOC            | NO <sub>x</sub> | CO         | SO <sub>x</sub> | PM <sub>2.5</sub> | PM <sub>10</sub> |
| On-Site Emissions                                                                            | 6              | 31              | 17         | <1              | 2                 | 2                |
| Off-Site Emissions                                                                           | 2              | 31              | 14         | <1              | 1                 | 1                |
| <i>Total Emissions</i>                                                                       | 8              | 62              | 31         | <1              | 3                 | 3                |
| <b>Maximum Regional Total</b>                                                                | 8              | 62              | 31         | <1              | 3                 | 4                |
| <b>Regional Significance Threshold</b>                                                       | <b>75</b>      | <b>100</b>      | <b>550</b> | <b>150</b>      | <b>55</b>         | <b>150</b>       |
| Exceed Threshold?                                                                            | No             | No              | No         | No              | No                | No               |
| <b>Maximum On-Site Total</b>                                                                 | 6              | 31              | 17         | <1              | 2                 | 2                |
| <b>Localized Significance Threshold<br/>/a/</b>                                              | <b>-- /b/</b>  | <b>46</b>       | <b>231</b> | <b>-- /b/</b>   | <b>3</b>          | <b>4</b>         |
| Exceed Threshold?                                                                            | -- /b/         | No              | No         | -- /b/          | No                | No               |
| /a/ Assumed a one-acre project site and a 25-meter (82-foot) receptor distance.              |                |                 |            |                 |                   |                  |
| /b/ SCAQMD has not developed localized significance methodology for VOC or SO <sub>x</sub> . |                |                 |            |                 |                   |                  |
| SOURCE: TAHA, 2010.                                                                          |                |                 |            |                 |                   |                  |

With regard to operational emissions, the Master Plan does not propose uses that typically increase automobile traffic. On the contrary, implementation of the Master Plan would encourage the use of alternative forms of transportation, including walking and biking. The purpose of the Master Plan is to redevelop the land adjacent to Compton Creek into a safe, ecologically beneficial, multi-use, public greenway. The Master Plan envisions Compton Creek as a livable, walkable, urban community that is orientated to Compton Creek. Implementation of the Master Plan will result in a 3.45 mile-long park system of gardens, plazas, trails, habitats, outdoor classrooms, and promenades. The proposed project would not substantially increase automobile trips and would not generate substantial mobile source emissions. In addition, the proposed project would not include stationary sources (e.g., mechanical equipment) of air emissions. Operational emissions would not exceed SCAQMD significance thresholds. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to operational emissions.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

### c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is nonattainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is nonattainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard. Federal and State agencies have designated the South Coast Air Basin as a nonattainment area for ozone (O<sub>3</sub>), PM<sub>2.5</sub>, and PM<sub>10</sub>. The SCAQMD's approach for assessing cumulative air quality impacts is based on the AQMP forecasts of attainment of ambient air quality standards in accordance with the requirements of the federal and State CAAs. The SCQAMD has set forth regional significance thresholds designed to assist in the attainment of ambient air quality standards. The proposed project would not result in a significant PM<sub>2.5</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, or ozone precursor (VOC or NO<sub>x</sub>) impact during construction or operation. Therefore, the

proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to a cumulatively considerable net increase of a nonattainment criteria pollutant.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

#### **d) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would expose new or existing sensitive receptors to substantial new pollutant concentrations. The majority of land uses surrounding Compton Creek are low- and medium-density residential, a senior center, a school, a park, and a commercial development located at the southern limits of the Creek. Some housing is built directly adjacent to the Compton Creek right-of-way. These land uses do not generate toxic air contaminant emissions and would not expose people using the proposed land uses to substantial pollutant concentrations. In addition, implementation of the Master Plan would not include new sources of toxic air contaminant emissions (e.g., diesel trucks) that would expose existing sensitive land uses to substantial pollutant concentrations. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to substantial pollutant concentrations.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

#### **e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people. Potential sources that may emit odors during construction activities include equipment exhaust and paving materials. Odors from these sources would be localized and generally confined to the project area. The proposed project would utilize typical construction techniques, and the odors would be typical of most construction sites. Additionally, the odors would be temporary, and construction activity associated with the proposed project would be required to comply with SCAQMD Rule 402. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to construction odors.

According to the SCAQMD *CEQA Air Quality Handbook*, land uses that are associated with odor complaints include agricultural uses, wastewater treatment plants, food processing plants, chemical plants, composting, refineries, landfills, dairies and fiberglass molding. The proposed project would include recreational land uses and not land uses that typically generate objectionable odors. However, the proposed project will also provide an equestrian trail, which would create nuisance odors. Therefore, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to operational odors. However, implementation of the Mitigation Measure **AQ1** would reduce the impact to less than significant.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

**AQ1** The City of Compton shall implement and enforce an odor control and maintenance program to mitigate the effects of odors generated at the equestrian trail. The program shall include daily management of solid wastes generated by the horses and the disposal of wastes off-site at least twice weekly.

### 3.4 BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES (BR)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Potentially Significant Impact | Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated | Less-Than-Significant Impact        | No Impact                           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as tree preservation policy or ordinance (e.g., oak trees or California walnut woodlands)?                                                                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?                                                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact could occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in the degradation of habitat that resulted in the loss or destruction of any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California

Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). Plant and animal species are considered sensitive if they have been listed as such by federal, State, or local agencies, or by one or more special interest groups, such as the California Native Plant Society (CNPS). The CDFG publishes separate comprehensive lists for sensitive plants and animals within the California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDDB). The CNDDDB database search was performed for special-status species within the South Gate, California, USGS 7.5-minute topographical quadrangle and eight surrounding quadrangles in the project vicinity, including Hollywood, Los Angeles, El Monte, Englewood, Whittier, Torrance, Long Beach, and Los Alamitos. The queries of the databases and agency lists, resulted in the determination that 71 special-status species (37 plants and 34 wildlife species) had been recorded in the nine-quadrangle vicinity of the proposed project. Additionally, one special-status bird (Cooper's hawk) was observed during the field survey. A summary of the 71 special-status species is provided in **Table 3-2**.

**TABLE 3-2: SPECIAL-STATUS PLANT AND WILDLIFE SPECIES OCCURRENCE POTENTIAL WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA**

| Scientific Name                                          | Common Name                 | Federal Status | State Status | Other  | CNPS/CDFG | Potential for Occurrence in Project Area |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------|-----------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>Plants</b>                                            |                             |                |              |        |           |                                          |
| <i>Aphanisma blitoides</i>                               | Aphanisma                   | None           | None         | None   | 1B.2      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Arenaria paludicola</i>                               | Marsh Sandwort              | E              | E            | FS: S  | 1B.1      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Astragalus brauntonii</i>                             | Braunton's Milkvetch        | E              | None         | FS: S  | 1B.1      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Astragalus pycnostachyus</i> var. <i>lanosissimus</i> | Ventura Marsh Milk-Vetch    | E              | E            | None   | 1B.1      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Astragalus tener</i> var. <i>titi</i>                 | Coastal Dunes Milk-Vetch    | E              | E            | None   | 1B.1      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Atriplex coulteri</i>                                 | Coulter's Saltbush          | None           | None         | None   | 1B.2      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Atriplex pacifica</i>                                 | South Coast Saltscale       | None           | None         | None   | 1B.2      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Atriplex parishii</i>                                 | Parish's Brittlenscale      | None           | None         | FS: S  | 1B.1      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Atriplex serenana</i> var. <i>davidsonii</i>          | Davidson's Saltscale        | None           | None         | None   | 1B.2      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Berberis nevinii</i>                                  | Nevin's Barberry            | E              | E            | FS: S  | 1B.1      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>California macrophylla</i>                            | Round-Leaved Filaree        | None           | None         | BLM: S | 1B.1      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Calochortus plummerae</i>                             | Plummer's Mariposa Lily     | None           | None         | FS:S   | 1B.2      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Calochortus weedii</i> var. <i>intermedius</i>        | Intermediate Mariposa-Lily  | None           | None         | FS: S  | 1B.2      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Calystegia sepium</i> ssp. <i>binghamiae</i>          | Santa Barbara Morning-Glory | None           | None         | None   | 1A        | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Camissonia lewisii</i>                                | Lewis' Evening-Primrose     | None           | None         | None   | 3         | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Centromadia parryi</i> ssp. <i>australis</i>          | Southern Tarplant           | None           | None         | None   | 1B.1      | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |

**TABLE 3-2: SPECIAL-STATUS PLANT AND WILDLIFE SPECIES OCCURRENCE POTENTIAL  
WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA**

| Scientific Name                                        | Common Name                 | Federal Status | State Status | Other           | CNPS/ CDFG | Potential for Occurrence in Project Area |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|------------------------------------------|
| <i>Cordylanthus maritimus</i> ssp. <i>maritimus</i>    | Salt Marsh Bird's-Beak      | E              | E            | None            | 1B.2       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Dudleya multicaulis</i>                             | Many-Stemmed Dudleya        | None           | None         | BLM: S<br>FS: S | 1B.2       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Helianthus nuttallii</i> ssp. <i>parishii</i>       | Los Angeles Sunflower       | None           | None         | FS: S           | 1A         | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Hordeum intercedens</i>                             | Vernal Barley               | None           | None         | None            | 3.2        | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> ssp. <i>puberula</i>           | Mesa Horkelia               | None           | None         | FS: S           | 1B.1       | Absent; Marginally Suitable Habitat      |
| <i>Lasthenia glabrata</i> ssp. <i>coulteri</i>         | Coulter's Goldfields        | None           | None         | BLM: S          | 1B.1       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Nama stenocarpum</i>                                | Mud Nama                    | None           | None         | None            | 2.2        | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Nasturtium gambelii</i>                             | Gambel's Water Cress        | E              | T            | FS: S           | 1B.1       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Navarretia fossalis</i>                             | Moran's Nosegay             | E              | None         | None            | 1B.1       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Navarretia prostrata</i>                            | Prostrate Navarretia        | None           | None         | None            | 1B.1       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Nemacaulis denudata</i> var. <i>denudata</i>        | Coast Woolly-Heads          | None           | None         | None            | 1B.2       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Orcuttia californica</i>                            | California Orcutt Grass     | E              | E            | None            | 1B.1       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Pentachaeta lyonii</i>                              | Lyon's Pentachaeta          | E              | E            | None            | 1B.1       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Phacelia stellaris</i>                              | Brand's Star Phacelia       | C              | None         | None            | 1B.1       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium leucocephalum</i>                  | White Rabbit-Tobacco        | None           | None         | None            | 2.2        | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Ribes divaricatum</i> var. <i>parishii</i>          | Parish's Gooseberry         | None           | None         | None            | 1A         | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Scutellaria bolanderi</i> ssp. <i>austromontana</i> | Southern Mountains Skullcap | None           | None         | FS: S           | 1B.2       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Sidalcea neomexicana</i>                            | Salt Spring Checkerbloom    | None           | None         | None            | 2.2        | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Suaeda esteroa</i>                                  | Estuary Seablite            | None           | None         | None            | 1B.2       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Symphyotrichum defoliatum</i>                       | San Bernardino Aster        | None           | None         | BLM: S<br>FS: S | 1B.2       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |
| <i>Symphyotrichum greatae</i>                          | Greata's Aster              | None           | None         | None            | 1B.3       | Absent; No Suitable Habitat              |

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WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA**

| Scientific Name                               | Common Name                     | Federal Status | State Status | Other                                     | CNPS/<br>CDFG | Potential for Occurrence in Project Area                                                                                |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Wildlife</b>                               |                                 |                |              |                                           |               |                                                                                                                         |
| <i>Carolella busckana</i>                     | Busck's Gallmoth                | None           | None         | None                                      | None          | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Cicindela gabbii</i>                       | Western Tidal-Flat Tiger Beetle | None           | None         | None                                      | None          | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Cicindela hirticollis grvida</i>           | Sandy Beach Tiger Beetle        | None           | None         | None                                      | None          | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Cicindela latesignata latesignata</i>      | Western Beach Tiger Beetle      | None           | None         | None                                      | None          | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Cicindela senilis frosti</i>               | Senile Tiger Beetle             | None           | None         | None                                      | None          | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Danaus plexippus</i>                       | Monarch Butterfly               | None           | None         | None                                      | None          | Absent; Species May Forage on Project Site and Could Potentially Roost Adjacent to Site in Appropriate Trees.           |
| <i>Glaucopsyche lygdamus palosverdesensis</i> | Palos Verdes Blue Butterfly     | E              | None         | Xerces: CI                                |               | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Siphateles bicolor mohavensis</i>          | Mohave Tui Chub                 | E              | E            | None                                      | FP            | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Spea hammondi</i>                          | Western Spadefoot               | None           | None         | BLM: S<br>IUCN: NT                        | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Anniella pulchra pulchra</i>               | Silvery Legless Lizard          | None           | None         | FS: S                                     | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Chelonia mydas</i>                         | Green Sea Turtle                | T              | None         | IUCN: EN                                  | None          | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Emys marmorata</i>                         | Western Pond Turtle             | None           | None         | BLM: S<br>IUCN: VU<br>FS: S               | SSC           | Not Likely to Occur; Unlikely for Individuals from Los Angeles River Watershed Populations to Migrate into Project Area |
| <i>Phrynosoma coronatum</i>                   | Coast Horned Lizard             | None           | None         | BLM: S<br>IUCN: LC<br>FS: S               | SCC           | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Accipiter cooperii</i> (Nesting)           | Cooper's Hawk                   | None           | None         | IUCN: LC                                  | WL            | Occurs; Project Site Provides Little Nesting Opportunity                                                                |
| <i>Agelaius tricolor</i>                      | Tricolored Blackbird            | None           | None         | ABC: WL<br>BLM: S<br>IUCN: EN<br>FWS: BCC | SSC           | Not Likely to Occur; Marginally Suitable Habitat and Limited Foraging Potential                                         |
| <i>Athene cunicularia</i>                     | Burrowing Owl                   | None           | None         | BLM: S<br>IUCN: LC<br>FWS: BCC            | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Buteo regalis</i>                          | Ferruginous Hawk                | None           | None         | IUCN: LC<br>FWS: BCC                      | WL            | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |
| <i>Coccyzus americanus occidentalis</i>       | Western Yellow-Billed Cuckoo    | C              | E            | FS: S<br>FWS: BCC                         | None          | Absent; No Suitable Habitat                                                                                             |

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| <i>Empidonax traillii<br/>extimus</i>              | Southwestern<br>Willow Flycatcher | E              | E            | ABC: WL                                | None          | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Passerculus<br/>sandwichensis<br/>beldingi</i>  | Belding's<br>Savannah<br>Sparrow  | None           | E            | None                                   | None          | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Pelecanus<br/>occidentalis<br/>californicus</i> | California Brown<br>Pelican       | D              | None         | None                                   | FP            | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Polioptila californica<br/>californica</i>      | Coastal California<br>Gnatcatcher | T              | None         | ABC: WL                                | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Sterna (Sturnela)<br/>antillarum browni</i>     | California Least<br>Tern          | E              | E            | ABC: WL                                | FP            | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Vireo bellii pusillus</i>                       | Least Bell's Vireo                | E              | E            | ABC: WL<br>IUCN: NT                    | None          | Not Likely to Occur;<br>Marginally Suitable<br>Habitat                                     |
| <i>Antrozous pallidus</i>                          | Pallid Bat                        | None           | None         | BLM: S<br>IUCN: LC<br>FS: S<br>WBWG: H | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Eumops perotis<br/>californicus</i>             | Western Mastiff<br>Bat            | None           | None         | BLM: S<br>WBWG: H                      | SSC           | Absent; Project Area<br>Lacks Roosting Habitat;<br>Species May Forage<br>Over Project Area |
| <i>Lasionycteris<br/>noctivagans</i>               | Silver-Haired Bat                 | None           | None         | IUCN:LC<br>WBWG: M                     | None          | Absent; Project Area<br>Lacks Roosting Habitat;<br>Species May Forage<br>Over Project Area |
| <i>Lasiurus cinereus</i>                           | Hoary Bat                         | None           | None         | IUCN:LC<br>WBWG: M                     | None          | Absent; Project Area<br>Lacks Roosting Habitat;<br>Species May Forage<br>Over Project Area |
| <i>Lasiurus xanthinus</i>                          | Western Yellow<br>Bat             | None           | None         | IUCN:LC,<br>WBWG:H                     | SSC           | Absent; Project Area<br>Lacks Roosting Habitat;<br>Species May Forage<br>Over Project Area |
| <i>Microtus californicus<br/>stephensi</i>         | South Coast<br>Marsh Vole         | None           | None         | None                                   | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Nyctinomops<br/>femorosaccus</i>                | Pocketed Free-<br>Tailed Bat      | None           | None         | IUCN:LC,<br>WBWG:M                     | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Nyctinomops macrotis</i>                        | Big Free-Tailed<br>Bat            | None           | None         | IUCN:LC,<br>WBWG:MH                    | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Perognathus<br/>longimembris<br/>pacificus</i>  | Pacific Pocket<br>Mouse           | E              | None         | None                                   | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |
| <i>Taxidea taxus</i>                               | American Badger                   | None           | None         | IUCN:LC                                | SSC           | Absent; No Suitable<br>Habitat                                                             |

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| <p>Notes:</p> <p><b>Federal Status</b> – The Federal Endangered Species Act is administered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries (NOAA).</p> <p><b>E</b> Endangered: Species is in immediate danger of extirpation or extinction from existing pressures.</p> <p><b>T</b> Threatened: Species not presently in eminent danger of extinction, but is likely to become an Endangered species in the foreseeable future in the absence of special protection and management efforts.</p> <p><b>C</b> Candidate: Candidate species are plants and animals for which the Service has sufficient information on their biological status and threats to propose them as endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act, but for which development of a listing regulation is precluded by other higher priority listing activities.</p> <p><b>D</b> Delisted: Species is no longer in immediate danger of extirpation or extinction nor is it likely to reach this status in the foreseeable future. Delisted species are monitored according to a post-delisting monitoring plan.</p> <p><b>State Status</b> – The California Endangered Species Act of 1984 (CESA) (Fish and Game Code §§2050, <i>et seq.</i>) and the Native Plant Protection Act of 1977 (NPPA) (Fish and Game Code §§1900-1913) generally parallel the main provisions of the Federal Endangered Species Act and are administered by the California Department of Fish and Game.</p> <p><b>E</b> Endangered: a species of plant, fish, or wildlife which is "in serious danger of becoming extinct throughout all, or a significant portion of its range." This designation is limited to species or subspecies native to California. (CESA)</p> <p><b>T</b> Threatened: a native species or subspecies of a bird, mammal, fish amphibian, reptile or plant that, although not presently threatened with extinction, is likely to become an endangered species in the foreseeable future in the absence of special protection and management efforts. (CESA)</p> <p><b>R</b> Rare: (applies to plants only) a species, subspecies, or variety is rare when, although not presently threatened with extinction, it is in such small numbers throughout its range that it may become endangered if its present environment worsens. (This designation was replaced by "threatened" for all animal species in 1985) (NPPA)</p> <p><b>CDFG</b> - The Wildlife Branch, Nongame Wildlife Program is responsible for producing and updating SSC publications for mammals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians. The Fisheries Branch is responsible for updates to the Fish Species of Special Concern document.</p> <p><b>SSC:</b> Species of Special Concern; native species not having state or federal Threatened or Endangered Species status, but thought to warrant monitoring due to declining population numbers. (Includes those species tracked in the CNDDDB but not given any other special status.)</p> <p><b>FP:</b> Fully Protected; The classification of Fully Protected was the State's initial effort to identify and provide additional protection to those animals that were rare or faced possible extinction. Lists were created for fish, amphibians and reptiles, birds and mammals. Most of the species on these lists have subsequently been listed under the state and/or federal endangered species acts. The Fish and Game Code sections dealing with Fully Protected species state that these species "...may not be taken or possessed at any time and no provision of this code or any other law shall be construed to authorize the issuance of permits or licenses to take any fully protected" species, although take may be authorized for necessary scientific research. This language arguably makes the "Fully Protected" designation the strongest and most restrictive regarding the "take" of these species. In 2003 the code sections dealing with fully protected species were amended to allow the Department to authorize take resulting from recovery activities for state-listed species.</p> <p><b>WL</b> Watch List; The species warrants further monitoring and review, but no actions or legal protection are given</p> <p><b>CNPS</b> – The California Native Plant Society tracks the conservation status of hundreds of plant species and maintains the CNPS <i>Inventory of Rare and Endangered Plants of California</i>. The CNPS Rare Plant Program's data are widely accepted as the standard for information on the rarity and endangerment status of the California flora.</p> <p><b>1A</b> CNPS Priority List 1A: plant presumed extinct in CA.</p> <p><b>1B</b> CNPS Priority List 1B: plant Rare, Threatened, or Endangered in CA and elsewhere; eligible for state listing.</p> <p><b>2</b> CNPS Priority List 2: plant rare, threatened, or Endangered in CA, but more common elsewhere; eligible for state listing.</p> <p><b>3</b> CNPS Priority List 3: more information is needed about this species; some eligible for state listing.</p> <p><b>4</b> CNPS Priority List 4: on watch list for plants of limited distribution.</p> <p>The CNPS Threat Rank is an extension added onto the CNPS List and designates the level of endangerment by a 1 to 3 ranking as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 - Seriously threatened in California (high degree/immediacy of threat)</li> <li>2 - Fairly threatened in California (moderate degree/immediacy of threat)</li> <li>3 - Not very threatened in California (low degree/immediacy of threats or no current threats known)</li> </ol> <p><b>Other Organizations</b></p> <p><b>ABC: WL</b> - The United States <i>WatchList</i> is a joint project between the American Bird Conservancy and the National Audubon Society. It reflects a comprehensive analysis of all the bird species in the United States. It reveals those in greatest need of immediate conservation attention to survive a convergence of environmental challenges, including habitat loss, invasive species, and global warming. The list builds on the species assessments conducted for many years by Partners in Flight (PIF) for land birds. It uses those same PIF standards but it is expanded to cover all bird species, not just land birds. The list is based on the latest available research and assessments from the bird conservation community, along with data from the Christmas Bird Count and Breeding Bird Survey.</p> <p><b>BLM: S</b> - Bureau of Land Management Sensitive. BLM Manual §6840 defines sensitive species as "...those species that are (1) under status review by the FWS/NMFS; or (2) whose numbers are declining so rapidly that Federal listing may become necessary, or (3) with typically small and widely dispersed populations; or (4) those inhabiting ecological refugia or other specialized or unique habitats." Existing California-BLM policy concerning the designation of sensitive species identifies two conditions that must be met before a species may be considered as BLM sensitive: (1) a significant population of the species must occur on BLM-administered lands, and (2) the potential must exist for improvement of the species' condition through BLM management. The "Sensitive Species" designation is not meant to include federally listed species, proposed species, candidate species or State listed species. It is BLM policy to provide sensitive species with the same level of protection that is given federal candidate species.</p> <p><b>FS: S</b> – Forest Service: Sensitive: The USDA Forest Service defines sensitive species as those plant and animal species identified by a regional forester that are not listed or proposed for listing by the federal Endangered Species Act for which population viability is a concern, as evidenced by significant current or predicted downward trends in habitat capability that would reduce a species' existing distribution.</p> <p><b>FWS: BCC</b> - Fish and Wildlife Service: Birds of Conservation Concern: The goal of the Birds of Conservation Concern 2002 report is to accurately identify the migratory and non-migratory bird species (beyond those already designated as federally threatened or endangered) that represent our highest conservation priorities and draw attention to species in need of conservation action.</p> |             |                |              |       |            |                                          |

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| <p><b>IUCN</b> - The World Conservation Union, through its Species Survival Commission assess, on a global scale, the conservation status of species, subspecies, varieties and even selected subpopulations in order to highlight taxa threatened with extinction, and therefore promote their conservation.</p> <p>DD Data Deficient: inadequate information to make a direct, or indirect, assessment of its risk of extinction based on its distribution and/or population status.</p> <p>EN Endangered: faces very high risk of extinction in the wild</p> <p>LC Least Concern: does not qualify for Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable or Near Threatened.</p> <p>LR/LC Lower Risk: has been evaluated and does not satisfy the criteria for any of the categories Critically Endangered, Endangered or Vulnerable. Subcategory: Least Concern (taxa which do not qualify for Conservation Dependent or Near Threatened).</p> <p>LR/NT Lower Risk: has been evaluated and does not satisfy the criteria for any of the categories Critically Endangered, Endangered or Vulnerable. Subcategory: Near Threatened (taxa which do not qualify for Conservation Dependent, but which are close to qualifying for Vulnerable).</p> <p>NT Near Threatened: is close to qualifying for or is likely to qualify for a threatened category in the near future.</p> <p>VU Vulnerable: faces high risk of extinction in the wild.</p> <p>There is an additional hierarchical alphanumeric system of criteria and subcriteria for those species that qualify as Threatened (eg.VU/B1+2c). Please refer to <i>The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species 2001 Categories and Criteria</i> (v. 3.1) for further details (<a href="http://www.redlist.org/">http://www.redlist.org/</a>)</p> <p><b>WBWG</b> - The Western Bat Working Group is comprised of agencies, organizations and individuals interested in bat research, management and conservation from the 13 western states and Provinces of British Columbia and Alberta, and Northern Mexico.</p> <p>High (H) Priority: Species considered the highest priority for funding, planning, and conservation actions based on species distribution, status, ecology and known threats (Imperiled)</p> <p>Medium (M) Priority: Species that warrant closer evaluation, more research, and conservation actions of both the species and possible threats, generally due to a lack of meaningful information about the species.</p> <p>Low (L) Priority: Current information indicates that the population is stable and major changes in status in the near future are unlikely, although there may be localized concerns and conservation actions would still apply.</p> <p><b>Xerces</b> - The Xerces Society Red list of pollinators. The Xerces Society is an international non-profit organization dedicated to protecting biological diversity through invertebrate conservation.</p> <p>CI: Critically Imperiled: At very high risk of extinction due to extreme rarity (often 5 or fewer populations), very steep declines, or other factors.</p> <p>Note: range designations for plant species in the species accounts follow the Jepson Manual designations</p> |             |                |              |       |            |                                          |
| <b>SOURCE:</b> SWCA and TAHA, 2011.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |             |                |              |       |            |                                          |

During the field survey, habitats capable of supporting special-status plant and wildlife species were evaluated within the project area. All 37 plant species and 34 wildlife species were eliminated from further consideration because there are no records of these species within five miles (ten miles for butterfly, bird, and bat species) of the project area and habitat within the project area was determined to be to be marginal, limited, or otherwise unfavorable; or the site does not likely provide suitable habitat for a sustaining population of this species.

One special-status bird species (Cooper's hawk) that was observed during the field survey was assessed as "present" or "may occur" within the project area due to the presence of suitable habitat and recent local records in the project area. Nesting Cooper's hawks (*Accipiter cooperi*) are a California State Species of Special Concern. This species typically specializes on hunting small birds and rodents in dense woodlands, but has become increasingly common in urban parks and residential areas in recent years. They are a common resident of suburban areas and riparian woodlands in Los Angeles County. Preferred nesting habitats include oak and riparian woodlands that include sycamore and willow trees. The project area and surrounding areas provide little nesting opportunities for the species, and though the species may forage within the project area, it is not expected to nest there.<sup>5</sup> Therefore, no impacts related to the loss or destruction of any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the CDFG or USFWS would occur.

<sup>5</sup>SWCA Environmental Consultants, *Biological Resource Assessment for the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan*, 2010.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact could occur if any riparian habitat or natural community were lost or destroyed as a result of implementation of the Master Plan. A sensitive habitat is one that is considered rare within the region, supports sensitive plants or animals, or provides connectivity between sensitive habitats.

As previously mentioned, Compton Creek is a federally-listed impaired waterway with metals, trash, and bacteria identified as the key pollutants of concern. The majority of Compton Creek is characterized by a concrete-lined, U-shaped channel, with an earthen-bottom channel from approximately Greenleaf Boulevard to the southern limit of the City (**Figure 3-3**). The vegetation within the earthen-bottom channel is dominated by nonnative, ruderal (growth in human-disturbed areas) vegetation. The earthen-bottom portion of Compton Creek is periodically graded and/or compacted in order to reduce the threat of flooding, which results in the loss of vegetation and prevents the establishment of mature vegetation communities. Trash is also abundant in the earthen-bottom channel. No sensitive habitats were observed within the project area. The proposed project would not modify the channel of Compton Creek. No impacts related to the loss of riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

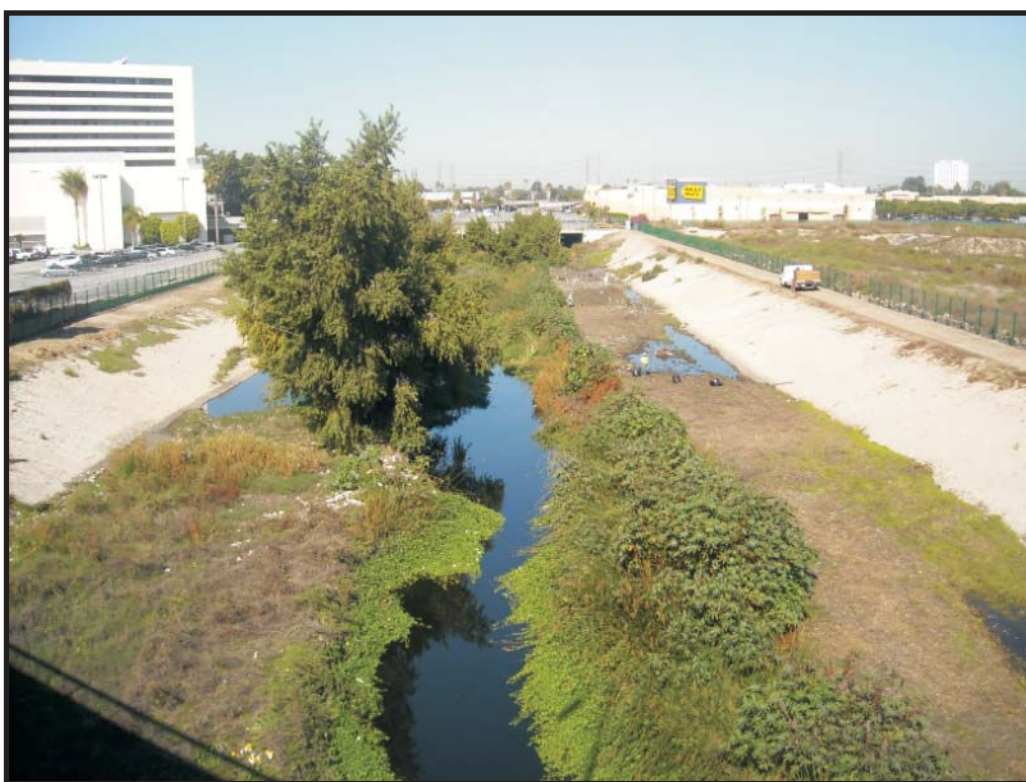
None required.

**c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact could occur if federally protected wetlands were modified or removed as a result of implementation of the Master Plan. Wetlands and other waters are protected under a number of laws and regulations. At the federal level, the Clean Water Act (CWA) (33 U.S.C. 1344) is the primary law regulating wetlands and waters. CWA regulates the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States, including wetlands. Waters of the United States include navigable waters, interstate waters, territorial seas, and other waters that may be used in interstate or foreign commerce. To classify wetlands for the purposes of the CWA, a three-parameter approach is used that includes the presence of hydrophytic (water-loving) vegetation, wetland hydrology, and hydric soils (soils subject to saturation/inundation). All three parameters must be present, under normal circumstances, for an area to be designated as a jurisdictional wetland under the CWA. Section 404 of the CWA establishes a regulatory program that provides that no discharge of dredged or fill material can be permitted if a practicable alternative exists that is less damaging to the aquatic environment or if the nation's waters would be significantly degraded. The Section 404 permit program is run by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE) with oversight by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).



View of typical channelized segment of Compton Creek.



View of earth-bottom segment of Compton Creek.

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



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FIGURE 3-3

CHANNELIZED AND EARTH-BOTTOM  
COMPTON CREEK SEGMENTS

The implementation of the Master Plan could result in indirect impacts to jurisdictional waters by on-site construction and the resulting use of a project site within the project area after implementation of the Master Plan, both of which could produce by-products that would eventually impact the Los Angeles River.<sup>6</sup> The result of this could be a significant, but temporary alteration of the biochemistry of the Creek, possibly resulting in a degradation of the watershed's ability to support sensitive and non-sensitive plants and animals. Construction activities could present several potential sources for water quality degradation in the stream, including the following:

- Construction activities, especially those involving the mixing of mortar and concrete, often result in the production of substantial quantities of sullied wastewater which would seriously pollute the Creek if it were to be deposited there.
- Other construction activities that expose the earth and remove vegetation have the potential to increase erosion. Erosion may result in the degradation of downstream water quality, increased siltation, and turbidity.

Therefore, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to the loss or destruction of any riparian habitat or natural community. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **BR1** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

### Mitigation Measures

**BR1** To prevent contaminated wastewater from entering downstream habitats, designated areas shall be set aside for equipment washing and small batch mixing of concrete or other chemicals. The set aside areas shall be lined with an impermeable liner, and all washings or residue shall be collected and properly disposed of following construction. To prevent downstream impacts from runoff and erosion, a complete Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) shall be prepared, approved, and implemented. Monitoring of the SWPPP measures shall take place monthly during the summer and weekly during the winter. SWPPP measures shall also be checked after each rain event. A monitoring report shall be prepared and presented bi-annually or whenever measures are not being adequately implemented.

**d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact could occur if implementation of the Master Plan interfered substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. Implementation of the Master Plan would provide habitats for migratory and indigenous wildlife, and enhance local microclimates because the Master Plan includes a planting plan that uses sustainable native plant associations. The use of native vegetation helps enhance and expand the visual character of the project area and promotes natural ecologies. The benefits of this vegetation strategy include restoring visual and natural identity to the site, providing habitats for migratory and indigenous wildlife, and enhancing local microclimates. Once properly established, natural rainfall will sustain these native plantings, thus reducing long-term maintenance costs, as well as water, nutrient, and pesticide usage. This restoration will replace the on-site degraded ruderal habitats. If land-clearing or grubbing were to take place during resident or migratory bird nesting season, some of these bird species would be subject to direct mortality of young or eggs. Project-related disturbances that cause the failure of nests these species during active nesting would be a

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<sup>6</sup>SWCA Environmental Consultants, *Biological Resource Assessment for the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan*, 2010.

violation of the California Fish and Game Code and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). Therefore, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to the loss or destruction of any native and/or migratory species nesting sites. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **BR2** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

**BR2** To prevent the disturbance of nesting native and/or migratory bird species, all clearing and grubbing of the project site should take place between September 1 and February 14. Winter site clearing will ensure that nesting birds are not present and impacted. If construction is scheduled or ongoing near the perimeter of the grading footprint during bird nesting season (February 15 to August 31), qualified biologists should survey the area within 200 feet (or up to 300 feet, depending on topography or other factors, and 500 feet for raptors) of the construction activity to determine if grading is disturbing nesting birds. If nesting activity is being compromised, construction should be suspended in the vicinity of the nest until fledging is complete. This mitigation measure will reduce the proposed project's impacts, disturbance to, and mortality of nesting birds to a less than significant level. These mitigation measures should be implemented by a qualified biologist under contract with the project applicant. The project biologist should prepare a report detailing the results of the construction monitoring efforts. The report should be submitted to the CDFG within two months of the completion of the monitoring activities.

#### **e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as tree preservation policy or ordinance (e.g., oak trees or California walnut woodlands)?**

**No impact.** A significant impact could occur if implementation of the Master Plan conflicted with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources. The Master Plan is intended to serve as a guide to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. In addition, the Master Plan provides recommendations to improve water quality. The Master Plan would not conflict with the General Plan Conservation/Open Space/Parks and Recreation Element. Therefore, no impact related to local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources would occur.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

#### **f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?**

**No impact.** A significant impact could occur if implementation of the Master Plan were inconsistent with any adopted habitat conservation plan. The Master Plan is intended to serve as a guide to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. In addition, the Master Plan provides recommendations to improve water quality. The City of Compton does not have a Habitat Conservation Plan or Natural Community Conservation Plan. Therefore, no impact related to habitat conservation plans or natural community conservation plans would occur.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**3.5 CULTURAL RESOURCES (CR)**

| Would the project:                                                                                                   | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) Cause a substantial adverse change in significance of a historical resource as defined in State CEQA §15064.5?    | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Cause a substantial adverse change in significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to State CEQA §15064.5? | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?              | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**a) Cause a substantial adverse change in significance of a historical resource as defined in State CEQA §15064.5?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact could occur if implementation of the Master Plan substantially altered the environmental context or removed identified historical resources. Section 15064.5 of the CEQA Guidelines generally defines historical significance as any object, building, structure, site, area, place, record, or manuscript determined to be historically significant or significant in the architectural or cultural annals of California. Historical resources are further defined as being associated with significant events, important persons, or distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction; representing the work of an important creative individual; or possessing high artistic values.

A review of the National Register of Historic Places identified a single notable site in the City of Compton. The site is referred to as the Dominguez Ranch and is located at 18127 South Alameda Street<sup>7</sup> approximately 500 feet from Compton Creek. The central portion of the Dominguez Ranch House was built in 1826 by Manuel Dominguez. The battle of Dominguez Ranch was fought here on October 8 and 9, 1946. During the battle Californians led by José Antonio Carrillo repelled United States forces under Captain William Mervine, U.S. Navy, in an attempt to recapture the Pueblo of Los Angeles.<sup>8</sup>

The Dominguez Ranch is also listed as a California Landmark (No. 152). In addition to the Dominguez Ranch, a second historically significant site is designated California Historical Landmark (No. 664) and is referred to as the “Heritage House.” The Heritage House is located at the northwest corner of Willowbrook Avenue and Myrrh Street, approximately 0.5 miles from Compton Creek. The Heritage

<sup>7</sup>U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, National Register of Historic Places website, <http://nrhp.focus.nps.gov>, accessed January 25, 2011.

<sup>8</sup>California Office of Historic Preservation, California Historical Landmarks website <http://www.parks.ca.gov>, accessed January 25, 2011.

House was originally constructed in 1869 by A. R. Loomis and is generally considered to be the oldest house in the City.

Neither the Dominguez Ranch nor the Heritage House would be altered, demolished, destroyed, or relocated as a result of the Master Plan. Furthermore, implementation of the Master Plan could have a positive effect as it would increase community access to and understanding of these historic resources. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to altering or removing historical resources.

### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

#### **b) Cause a substantial adverse change in significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to State CEQA §15064.5?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in a known or unknown archaeological resource being removed, altered, or destroyed as a result of the proposed development. Section 15064.5 of the State CEQA Guidelines defines significant archaeological resources as resources, which meet the criteria for historical resources, or resources which constitute unique archaeological resources. A project-related significant impact could occur if the proposed project would adversely affect archaeological resources, which fall under either of these categories.

Compton Creek's valuable water resources and fertile adjacent land made this waterway the focal point of agricultural settlements dating back to the 1784 Spanish Land Grant of Juan Jose Dominguez.<sup>9</sup> Any surficial archaeological resources that may have existed in the surrounding area are likely to have been previously disturbed or removed. As previously mentioned, no new buildings or structures are proposed as a part of the Master Plan that would require grading and excavation for structural footings. Nonetheless, since unknown resources could be altered or destroyed by even minor site excavation or other construction activities, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to archaeological resources. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **CR1** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

### **Mitigation Measures**

**CR1** During excavation and grading, if archaeological resources are uncovered, all work in that area shall cease and be diverted so as to allow for a determination of the value of the resource. Construction activities in that area may commence once the uncovered resources are collected by an archaeologist and properly processed.

#### **c) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in excavation or construction activities that disturbed paleontological or unique geological features. Paleontological resources are not known to have previously been discovered in or adjacent to the project area. Although the possibility of discovering paleontological resources in the project site remains low, the potential for accidental discovery during grading and excavation activities

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<sup>9</sup>Mia Lehrer & Associates, *Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan*, 2006.

always exists that excavation may uncover vertebrate or invertebrate fossils. Therefore, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to paleontological resources. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **CR2** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

**CR2** During excavation and grading, if paleontological resources are uncovered, all work in that area shall cease and be diverted so as to allow for a determination of the value of the resource. Construction activities in that area may commence once the uncovered resources are collected by a paleontologist and properly processed. Any paleontological remains and/or reports and surveys shall be submitted to the Los Angeles County Natural History Museum.

#### **d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in previously interred human remains being disturbed during excavation. The project area is not part of a formal cemetery and, therefore, it is highly unlikely that human remains exist on or in the vicinity of the project area. Nevertheless, unknown human remains could be potentially encountered during construction activities (e.g. excavation, grading, etc.). Therefore, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to human remains. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **CR3** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

**CR3** If human remains are discovered, State Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 states that no further disturbance shall occur until the County Coroner has made a determination of origin and disposition pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 5097.98. The County Coroner must be notified of the find immediately. If the remains are determined to be prehistoric, the Coroner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours, which will determine and notify a Most Likely Descendant (MLD). With the permission of the landowner or his/her authorized representative, the MLD may inspect the site of the discovery. The MLD shall complete the inspection within 48 hours of notification by the NAHC.

### 3.6 GEOLOGY AND SOILS (GS)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury or death involving:                                                                                                                                                        |                                      |                                                                        |                                     |                                     |
| i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42. | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| iv) Landslides?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| c) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potential result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse?                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| d) Be located on expansive soil as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?                                                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?                                                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

- a) **Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:**
- i) **Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan caused personal injury or death or resulted in property damage as a result of a fault rupture occurring along the project area. According to General Plan Safety Element, the project area is not located within an Alquist-Priolo Special Study Fault Zone, and no known active faults are mapped as crossing or projecting towards the project area. Nevertheless, the project area is located in seismically-active Southern California, characterized by major faults and fault zones. Seismic activity occurring along a number of active faults in the region, including the San Andreas, San Jacinto, Whittier-Elsinore, Newport-Inglewood, San Fernando, and Sierra Madre faults would affect the project area (**Figure 3-4**).<sup>10</sup>

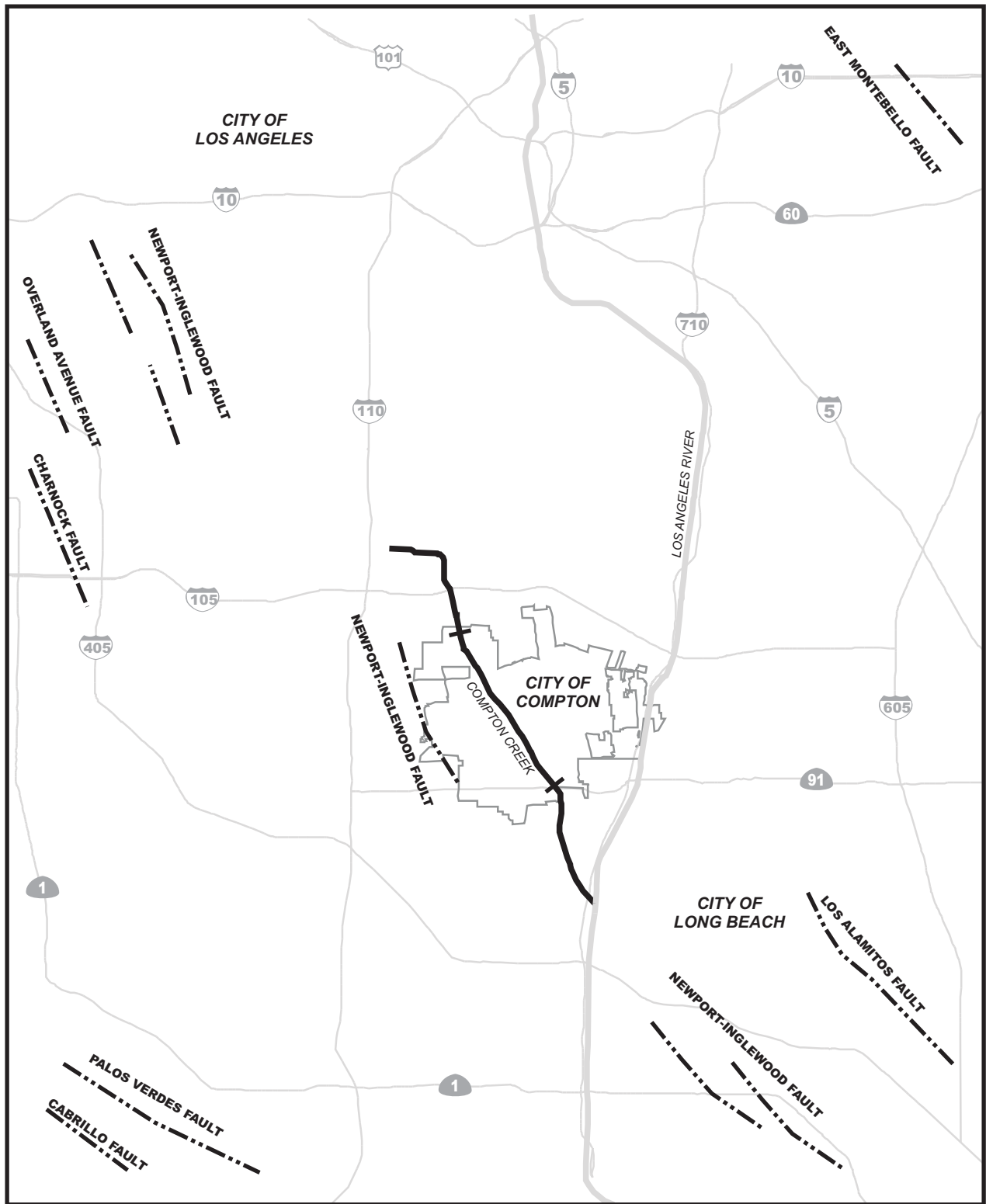
The Master Plan is intended to serve as a guide to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. In addition, the Master Plan provides long-term recommendations to improve water quality. The Master Plan identifies locations for potential components such as tree plantings; amenities such as trash receptacles and drinking fountains; parks and programs such as playgrounds and athletic facilities; and communication improvements such as way-finding signs. In addition, the Master Plan includes the construction of several pedestrian bridges across the Creek. When specific projects are implemented they will be designed to reduce the potential for exposure of people to seismic risks through modern construction techniques. Specifically, future proposed projects would comply with the requirements of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations Compliance to reduce impacts attributable to fault rupture to the maximum extent practicable. In addition, future proposed projects would comply with the California Department of Conservation, Division of Mines and Geology (CDMG) Special Publications 117, Guidelines for Evaluating and Mitigating Seismic Hazards in California (1997), which provides guidance for the evaluation and mitigation of earthquake-related hazards, and with the seismic safety requirements in the Uniform Building Code (UBC) and Compton Municipal Code. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to the rupture of a known earthquake fault.

### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>10</sup>City of Compton, *General Plan Public Safety Element*, 1991.



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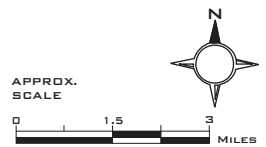
Compton Creek Master Plan Area



Los Angeles River

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SOURCE: United States Geological Survey, TAHA, 2011.



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FIGURE 3-4

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**ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan caused personal injury or death or resulted in property damage as a result of seismic ground shaking. The project area, as is all of Southern California is located within a seismically active area and strong ground shaking due to seismic activity could occur within the project area. Numerous regional and local faults are capable of producing severe earthquakes of magnitude 6.0 or greater. As noted above, the proposed project would be required to comply with the requirements of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations. Compliance with such requirements would reduce seismic ground shaking impacts to the maximum extent practicable with current engineering practices. Nevertheless, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to strong seismic ground shaking. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **GS1** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

**Mitigation Measures**

**GS1** Site-specific Geotechnical Investigation Reports shall be prepared to further assess the potential geophysical hazards. The findings of these site-specific Geotechnical Investigation Reports shall be incorporated into the design of the proposed project to reduce the potential for seismic-induced damages to the satisfaction of the City of Compton Department of Building and Safety.

**iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan caused injury or death or resulted in property damage as a result of liquefaction or other ground failure caused by ground shaking. Soil liquefaction occurs when loose, saturated, granular soils lose their inherent shear strength due to excess water pressure that builds up during repeated movement from seismic activity. Factors that contribute to the potential for liquefaction include a low relative density of granular materials, a shallow groundwater table, and a long duration and high acceleration of seismic shaking. Liquefaction usually results in horizontal and vertical movements from lateral spreading of liquefied materials and post-earthquake settlement of liquefied materials. Liquefaction potential is greatest where the groundwater level is shallow, and submerged loose, fine sands occur within a depth of approximately 50 feet or less. According to the General Plan Safety Element, “the water table underlying most of Compton is at least 100 feet underground. Consequently, liquefaction potential in the City is generally low, with the exception of the central eastern area of the City where the groundwater level is higher.”<sup>11</sup> The project area is located in an area identified as having low liquefaction potential. Therefore, no impact related to seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction, would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**iv) Landslides?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if the Master Plan were implemented on a site that would be located in a hillside area with unstable geological conditions or soil types that would be susceptible to failure when saturated. The project area is not located on or adjacent to a hillside area and, therefore, would not be impacted by landslides. No impact related to landslides would occur.

<sup>11</sup>City of Compton, *General Plan Public Safety Element*, 1991.

## Mitigation Measures

None required.

### b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if construction activities or future uses proposed as a part of the Master Plan resulted in substantial soil erosion or loss of topsoil. Excavation activities would be required when specific components of the Master Plan are implemented. Construction activities would expose soils to wind and rainfall, and they would be subject to the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction Permit. Compliance with the NPDES permit includes the implementation of Best Management Practices (BMPs), some of which are specifically intended to reduce soil erosion or loss of topsoil. Applicable BMPs include scheduling excavation and grading activities during dry weather, as feasible and covering stockpiles of excavated soils with tarps or plastic sheeting to reduce soil erosion. Nevertheless, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to soil erosion or loss of topsoil. However, implementation of Mitigation Measures **GS2** through **GS5** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

## Mitigation Measures

Implementation of applicable BMPs and compliance with the standard construction and erosion control practices, as described in Section 3.9.a Hydrology and Water Quality, would help reduce impacts related to erosion. In addition, the following mitigation measures would further reduce significant impacts related to erosion.

- GS2** The Applicant shall ensure that construction and excavation activities will adhere to the Best Management Practices (BMPs) set forth by the City. Such BMPs include using plastic coverings to prevent erosion of any unprotected area, such as mounds of dirt or dumpsters, along with devices designed to intercept and safely divert runoff.
- GS3** To the extent feasible, the Applicant shall ensure that grading will be scheduled for completion prior to the start of the rainy season (between November and April).
- GS4** During inclement periods of the year, when rain is threatening (between November and April), the Applicant shall implement an erosion control plan that identifies BMPs to the satisfaction of the City's Building and Safety Division to minimize potential erosion during construction. The erosion control plan shall be a condition prior to issuance of any grading permit.
- GS5** The Applicant shall ensure that provisions be made for adequate surface drainage away from the areas of excavation as well as protection of excavated areas from flooding. The grading contractor shall control surface water and the transportation of silt and sediment.

### c) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslides, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if the Master Plan were implemented on a site that is located on soil in unstable geological conditions that would result in any type of geological failure, including lateral spreading, on- or off-site landslides, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse. The majority of Compton Creek in the City of Compton is a concrete-lined channel which is marked by steep walls. The Master Plan proposes to improve the visual character of

Compton Creek without channel modifications. As specific projects and improvements are developed as a part of the Master Plan, they will conform to and be developed under guidance of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations and the California Department of Conservation, CDMG Special Publications 117, Guidelines for Evaluating and Mitigating Seismic Hazards in California (1997), which provides guidance for earthquake induced landslide hazards, and the safety requirements in the UBC and Compton Municipal Code would ensure that none of the proposed improvements would cause land-sliding liquefaction, seismically-induced settlement, or other adverse conditions. Nevertheless, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to unstable soil. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **GS1** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

### **Mitigation Measures**

Refer to Mitigation Measure **GS1** in Section 3.6 (a)(ii).

#### **d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in development on expansive soils without proper site preparation or design features to provide adequate foundations for proposed project buildings, thus, posing a hazard to life and property. The Master Plan proposes to improve Compton Creek through parks and trails, and no new buildings are proposed. Several pedestrian bridges are included as part of the Master Plan and, therefore, potential construction sites along Compton Creek could be located on expansive soils. Therefore, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to expansive soils. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **GS1** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

### **Mitigation Measures**

Refer to Mitigation Measure **GS1** in Section 3.6 (a)(ii).

#### **e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in inadequate wastewater disposal. The Master Plan proposes to improve the visual character of Compton Creek and no new buildings or major structures are proposed that could support the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems. In addition, the project area is located in an urbanized area that is already extensively served by existing sewer infrastructure. As a result, septic tanks and other alternative wastewater disposal systems are not required or necessary for the Master Plan to be implemented. Therefore, no impact related to septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems would occur.

### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

### 3.7 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS (GHG)

| Would the project:                                                                                                               | Potentially Significant Impact | Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated | Less-Than-Significant Impact        | No Impact                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?      | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases? | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

#### a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if the proposed project would generate greenhouse gas emissions (GHG), either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment. GHG emissions refer to a group of emissions that are generally believed to affect global climate conditions. The greenhouse effect compares the Earth and the atmosphere surrounding it to a greenhouse with glass panes. The glass panes in a greenhouse let heat from sunlight in and reduce the amount of heat that escapes. GHGs, such as carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), and nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), keep the average surface temperature of the Earth close to 60 degrees Fahrenheit. Of all the GHGs, CO<sub>2</sub> is the most abundant pollutant that contributes to climate change through fossil fuel combustion. Other GHGs are less abundant but have higher global warming potential than CO<sub>2</sub>. To account for this higher potential, emissions of other GHGs are frequently expressed in the equivalent mass of CO<sub>2</sub>, denoted as CO<sub>2</sub>e.

#### Thresholds of Significance

The SCAQMQ has adopted GHG significance thresholds for projects where the SCAQMD is lead agency but not for general development. Therefore, the significance threshold is based on the methodologies recommended by the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) CEQA and Climate Change white paper. CAPCOA conducted an analysis of various approaches and significance thresholds, ranging from a zero threshold (all projects are cumulatively considerable) to a high of 40,000 to 50,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e per year. For example, an approach assuming a zero threshold and compliance with AB 32 2020 targets would require all discretionary projects to achieve a 33 percent reduction from projected “business-as-usual” emissions to be considered less than significant. A zero threshold approach could be considered on the basis that climate change is a global phenomenon, and not controlling small source emissions would potentially neglect a major portion of the GHG inventory. However, the CEQA Guidelines also recognize that there may be a point where a project’s contribution, although above zero, would not be a considerable contribution to the cumulative impact (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15130 (a)). Therefore, a threshold of greater than zero is considered more appropriate for the analysis of GHG emissions under CEQA.

Another method would use a quantitative threshold of greater than 900 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e per year based on a market capture approach that requires mitigation for greater than 90 percent of likely future discretionary development. This threshold would generally correspond to office projects of approximately 35,000 square feet, retail projects of approximately 11,000 square feet, or supermarket space of approximately 6,300 square feet. Another potential threshold would be the 10,000 metric tons

standard used by the Market Advisory Committee for inclusion in a GHG Cap and Trade System in California. A 10,000 metric ton significance threshold would correspond to the GHG emissions of approximately 550 residential units, 400,000 square feet of office space, 120,000 square feet of retail, and 70,000 square feet of supermarket space. This threshold would capture roughly half of new residential or commercial development. The basic concepts for the various approaches suggested by CAPCOA are used herein to determine whether or not the proposed project's GHG emissions are "cumulatively considerable."

The most conservative (i.e., lowest) thresholds, suggested by CAPCOA, would not be appropriate for the proposed project given that it is located in a community that is highly urbanized. Similarly, the 900-ton threshold was also determined to be too conservative for general development in the South Coast Air Basin. Consequently, the threshold of 10,000 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e is used as a quantitative benchmark for significance. A project's contribution to cumulative impacts to global climate change is considered cumulatively considerable if the proposed project would generate 10,000 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e per year.

### Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The Master Plan does not propose uses that typically increase automobile traffic. To the contrary, implementation of the Master Plan would encourage the use of alternative forms of transportation, including walking, biking, and horseback riding. In addition, the proposed project would not include stationary sources of GHG emissions (e.g., mechanical equipment). GHG emissions would result from construction activity. Based on SCAQMD guidance, construction GHG emissions amortized over a 30-year span to obtain annual emissions. URBMEIS2007 indicated that one year of construction activity utilizing the worst-case assumption would generate approximately 1,298 metric tons per year of GHG emissions. This would be less than the 10,000-metric-ton significance threshold. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to GHG emissions.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

#### **b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if the proposed project would conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases. In response to growing scientific and political concern with global climate change, California has recently adopted a series of laws to reduce emissions of GHGs into the atmosphere. In September 2002, Assembly Bill (AB) 1493 was enacted, requiring the development and adoption of regulations to achieve "the maximum feasible reduction of greenhouse gases" emitted by noncommercial passenger vehicles, light-duty trucks, and other vehicles used primarily for personal transportation in the State. California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger announced, on June 1, 2005, through Executive Order S-3-05, the following GHG emission reduction targets: by 2010, reduce GHG emissions to 2000 levels; by 2020, reduce GHG emissions to 1990 levels; and by 2050, reduce GHG emissions to 80 percent below 1990 levels.

The Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency created the Climate Action Team (CAT), which, in March 2006, published the Climate Action Team Report to Governor Schwarzenegger and the Legislature (2006 CAT Report). The 2006 CAT Report identifies a recommended list of strategies that the State could pursue to reduce climate change GHG emissions. These are strategies that could be implemented by various State agencies to ensure that the Governor's targets are met and can be met with existing authority of the State agencies.

In September 2006, Governor Schwarzenegger signed the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, also known as AB 32, into law. AB 32 focuses on reducing GHG emissions in California, and requires the CARB to adopt rules and regulations that would achieve greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to statewide levels in 1990 by 2020. To achieve this goal, AB 32 mandates that the CARB establish a quantified emissions cap, institute a schedule to meet the cap, implement regulations to reduce statewide GHG emissions from stationary sources, and develop tracking, reporting, and enforcement mechanisms to ensure that reductions are achieved. Because the intent of AB 32 is to limit 2020 emissions to the equivalent of 1990, and the present year (2010) is near the midpoint of this timeframe, it is expected that the regulations would affect many existing sources of GHG emissions and not just new general development projects. Senate Bill (SB) 1368, a companion bill to AB 32, requires the California Public Utilities Commission and the California Energy Commission to establish GHG emission performance standards for the generation of electricity. These standards will also apply to power that is generated outside of California and imported into the State.

AB 32 charges the CARB with the responsibility to monitor and regulate sources of GHG emissions in order to reduce those emissions. On June 1, 2007, the CARB adopted three discrete early action measures to reduce GHG emissions. These measures involved complying with a low carbon fuel standard, reducing refrigerant loss from motor vehicle air conditioning maintenance, and increasing methane capture from landfills. On October 25, 2007, the CARB tripled the set of previously approved early action measures. The approved measures include improving truck efficiency (i.e., reducing aerodynamic drag), electrifying port equipment, reducing perfluorocarbons from the semiconductor industry, reducing propellants in consumer products, promoting proper tire inflation in vehicles, and reducing sulfur hexafluoride emission from the non-electricity sector. The CARB has determined that the total statewide aggregated greenhouse gas 1990 emissions level and 2020 emissions limit is 427 million metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. The 2020 target reductions are currently estimated to be 174 million metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e.

The CARB AB 32 Scoping Plan contains the main strategies to achieve the 2020 emissions cap. The Scoping Plan was developed by the CARB with input from the Climate Action Team and proposes a comprehensive set of actions designed to reduce overall carbon emissions in California, improve the environment, reduce oil dependency, diversify energy sources, and enhance public health while creating new jobs and improving the State economy. The GHG reduction strategies contained in the Scoping Plan include direct regulations, alternative compliance mechanisms, monetary and non-monetary incentives, voluntary actions, and market-based mechanisms such as a cap-and-trade system. The Scoping Plan contains broad emission reduction measures that do not generally apply on a project level. However, the Scoping Plan does include a measure that requires the development of regional transportation-related GHG targets. The Scoping Plan further states that regions should work to integrate development patterns and transportation network in a way that reduces GHG emissions while meeting regional planning objectives.

The California Attorney General has prepared a fact sheet listing various mitigation measures that local agencies may consider to offset or reduce global warming impacts and ensure compliance with AB 32. As appropriate, the measures can be included as design features of a project, required as changes to the project, or imposed as mitigation (whether undertaken directly by the proposed project proponent or funded by mitigation fees). Relevant mitigation measures include:

- Preserve and create open space and parks. Preserve existing trees, and plant replacement trees at a set ratio;
- Include pedestrian and bicycle facilities within projects and ensure that existing non-motorized routes are maintained and enhanced;
- Promote “least polluting” ways to connect people and goods to their destinations; and

- Connect parks and open space through shared pedestrian/bike paths and trails to encourage walking and bicycling. Create bicycle lanes and walking paths directed to the location of schools, parks and other destination points.

The purpose of the Master Plan is to redevelop the City's existing flood control channel and adjacent land into a safe, ecologically beneficial, multi-use, public greenway. The Master Plan envisions Compton Creek as a livable, walkable, urban community that is orientated to and informed by Compton Creek. Implementation of the Master Plan will result in a 3.45-mile-long park system of gardens, plazas, trails, habitats, outdoor classrooms, and promenades. The Master Plan would encourage the use of alternative forms of transportation, including walking and biking. The proposed project would not substantially increase automobile trips. Based on this discussion, the proposed project would be consistent with GHG reduction plans. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to conflicting with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

### 3.8 HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (HM)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-<br>Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
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| a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?                                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?                                                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?                                                                                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?                                   | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for the people residing or working in the area?                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| g) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?                                                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| h) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would require the transfer, use, or disposal of hazardous materials such that it would create a significant hazard to the public. Implementation of the Master Plan will include construction of individual projects which may involve the use of potentially hazardous materials, including vehicle fuels, oils, and transmission fluids. Other occasional-used hazardous materials include limited quantities of lubricating products, paints, solvents, and custodial products (mainly cleaning supplies), pesticides and other landscaping supplies, and vehicle fuels, oils, and transmission fluids. No industrial uses or activities are proposed as a part of the Master Plan that would result in the generation, use, or discharge of unregulated hazardous materials and/or substances, or create a public hazard through transport, use, or disposal of these materials. Use and transport of hazardous materials would be regulated by the County of Los Angeles Department of Environmental Health and the California Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Cal/OSHA), and all hazardous materials would be required to be contained, stored, and used in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and handled in compliance with applicable standards and regulations. Any associated risk would be adequately reduced to a less-than-significant level through compliance with these standards and regulations, and would not pose significant hazards to the public or the environment. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to the transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan created a significant hazard to the public or environment due to a reasonably foreseeable release of hazardous materials. The existing Compton Creek is an impaired waterway that contains pollutants from stormwater and urban runoff that includes trash, bacteria, viruses, heavy metals, pesticides, petroleum hydrocarbons, and other organic compounds. Other sources of pollutants entering Compton Creek include leaking underground storage tanks and septic systems, contaminated groundwater, and horse stables. The Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council has identified metals, trash, and bacteria as the key pollutants of concern in Compton Creek.<sup>12</sup> One of the objectives of the Master Plan is to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. In addition, the Master Plan provides recommendations to improve water quality by integrating watershed management practices, promoting open space, and supporting sustainable activities and recreational amenities. It is expected that as a result of the Master Plan, hazards and hazardous materials in Compton Creek will be reduced. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to a significant hazard through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>12</sup>Psomas, *Compton Creek Hydraulic Report for Channel Improvements*, 2006.

**c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A potentially significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in the release of hazardous materials within one-quarter-mile of an existing or proposed school. The Compton Unified School District provides public education for grades K-12. The district is comprised of 24 elementary schools, eight middle schools, three high schools, one adult school, and five alternative learning schools. There are ten public schools that are located within one-quarter mile of Compton Creek, these schools include: Centennial High School, McNair Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, Davis Middle School, Tibby Elementary School, Laurel Elementary School, Compton High School, Kennedy Elementary School, and Compton Community College. The objective of the Master Plan is to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, community gardens, public art, and landscaping and to create a network of environmental learning through the establishment of outdoor classrooms with Creek-adjacent schools. In addition, the Master Plan provides recommendations to improve water quality by integrating watershed management practices, promoting open space, and supporting sustainable activities and recreational amenities. It is expected that as a result of the Master Plan, hazards and hazardous materials in Compton Creek will be reduced. However, as described above, implementation of the Master Plan will include construction of individual projects which may involve the use of potentially hazardous materials, including vehicle fuels, oils, and transmission fluids. Other occasionally-used hazardous materials include limited quantities of lubricating products, paints, solvents, and custodial products (mainly cleaning supplies), pesticides and other landscaping supplies, and vehicle fuels, oils, and transmission fluids. No industrial uses or activities are proposed as a part of the Master Plan that would result in the generation, use, or discharge of unregulated hazardous materials. As described above, the uses on site would be required to comply with all existing State, Federal and local laws and regulations that deal with hazardous materials use and transport such as CAL/OSHA. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to the release of hazardous material near schools.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

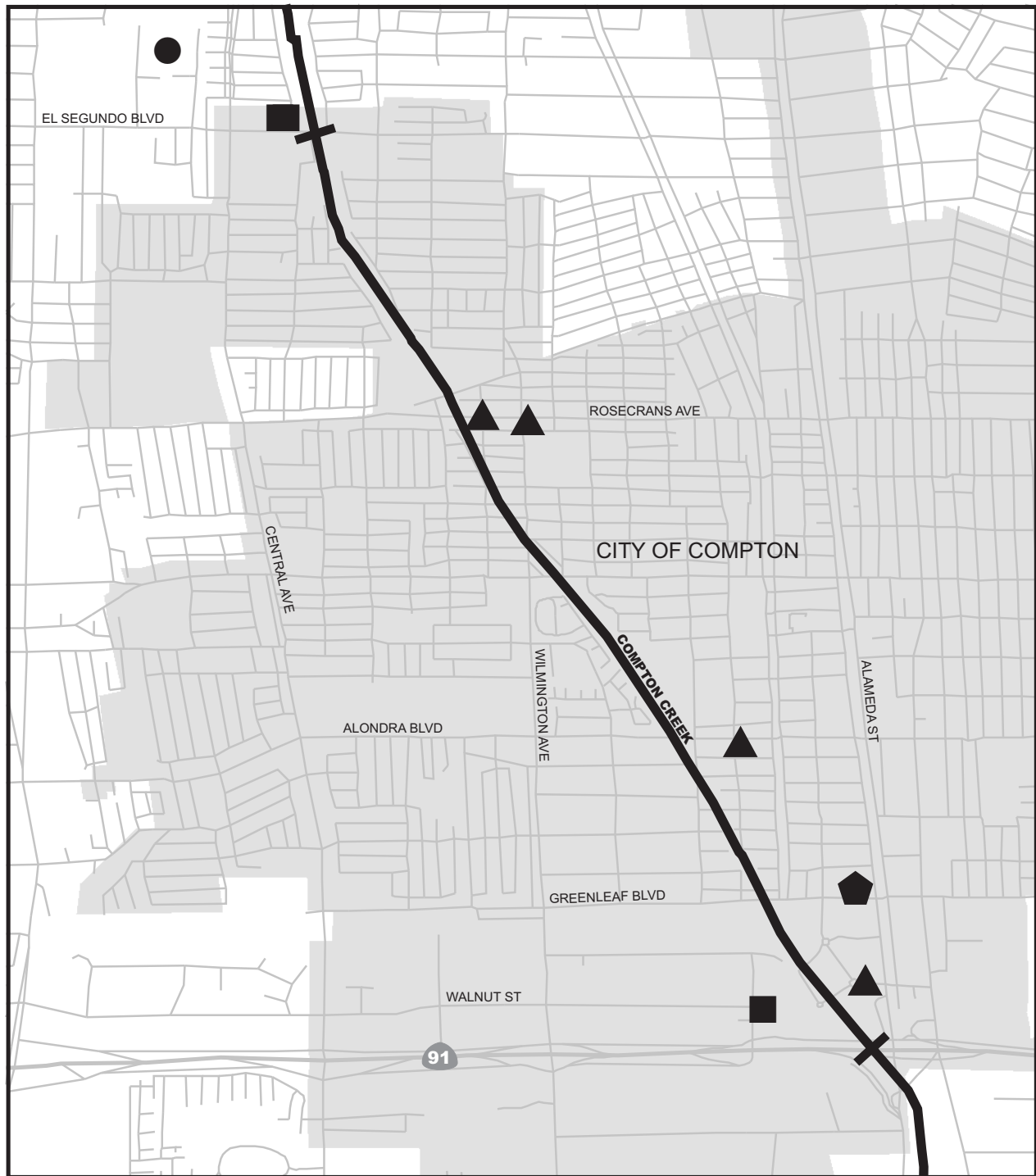
**d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?**

**No Impact.** A potentially significant impact would occur the Master Plan was implemented on a site that is listed pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. A search was conducted using the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) EnviroStor database<sup>13</sup> and State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) GeoTracker database to identify any potential risk related to exposure from known hazardous materials sites.<sup>14</sup> A search of the DTSC Envirostor database revealed that the closest hazardous material cleanup site to the project area is the Ujima Village Apartments voluntary cleanup site, which is approximately 1,000 feet away from Compton Creek (**Figure 3-5**).

<sup>13</sup>California Department of Toxic Substances Control, Envirostor website, <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov>, accessed August 3, 2010.

<sup>14</sup>State Water Resources Control Board, GeoTracker website, <http://geotracker.swrcb.ca.gov>, accessed August 3, 2009.

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LEGEND:

-  Compton Creek Master Plan Area
-  City of Compton
-  Voluntary Cleanup Site
-  Tiered Permit Sites
-  LUST Sites
-  Cleanup Program Site and Tiered Permit Site

SOURCE: California Department of Toxic Substances Control, State Water Resources Control Board, TAHA, 2011.

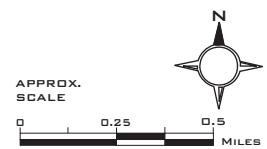


FIGURE 3-5

HAZARDS SITE LOCATIONS

A review of the DTSC Envirostor database also revealed four “tiered permit” sites within 1,000 feet of Compton Creek. The four tiered permit sites are:

- Appliance Recycling Center of America located approximately 400 feet from Compton Creek
- Superior Chrome Plating Company located approximately 1,000 feet from Compton Creek
- Accurate Anodizing Inc. located approximately 700 feet from Compton Creek
- Sandk Industries Inc. located approximately 700 feet from Compton Creek

A search of the SWRCB GeoTracker database revealed seven hazardous material cleanup sites within 1,000 feet of Compton Creek. The seven sites are:

- The G&M Oil Company leaking underground storage tank (LUST) cleanup site located approximately 400 feet from Compton Creek
- The Brown-Ferris IND LUST cleanup site located approximately 600 feet from Compton Creek
- The Arco #1691 LUST cleanup located approximately 1,000 feet from Compton Creek
- The Compton Community Development LUST cleanup site located approximately 500 feet from Compton Creek
- The Barkens Hard Chrome Inc cleanup program located approximately 1,000 feet from Compton Creek
- The UltraMax LUST cleanup site located approximately 500 feet from Compton Creek
- The Shell LUST cleanup site located approximately 700 feet from Compton Creek

There are no sites that are identified as a part of the Master Plan that are listed on any of the regulatory databases. Consequently, the proposed project would not be developed on a site that could create a significant hazard to the public or the environment. Therefore, no impact related to listed hazardous sites would occur.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?**

**No Impact.** A potentially significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan exposed persons residing or working in the project area to risks associated with the proximity of an airport. The Compton/Woodley Airport, a general aviation airport, is located approximately 0.6 miles to the west of Compton Creek. The nearest regional airport, Los Angeles International (LAX), is located approximately 13 miles northwest of Compton Creek. There are no portions of the project area that are within an airport land use plan. The City of Compton is a highly urbanized area and the Master Plan does not propose any new development that would contrast in size or scale to the surrounding land uses. As such, the Master Plan would not result in safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area or the surrounding area. Therefore, no impact related to airport activity would occur.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for the people residing or working in the area?**

**No Impact.** A potentially significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan exposed persons residing or working in the area to risks associated with the proximity of a private airstrip. The proposed project is not located within the vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, no impact related to private airport activity would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**g) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan impaired the implementation of an emergency response or evacuation plan or blockage of an emergency route. According to the City of Compton General Plan Safety Element, three emergency evacuation routes, Central Avenue, Wilmington Avenue and Willowbrook Avenue cross Compton Creek vertically, while four streets, El Segundo Boulevard, Rosecrans Avenue, Redondo Beach Boulevard, and Alondra Boulevard cross Compton Creek horizontally. Disaster routes function as primary and thoroughfares for the movement of emergency response traffic and access to critical facilities. The Departments of Public Works, Police, and Fire are responsible for the implementation of the Safety Element and the coordination of emergency response and evacuation.

Implementation of the Master Plan may require construction of projects that require street and sidewalk improvements and the potential improvement of water, wastewater, and other underground utility lines in an identified emergency evacuation route right-of-way. Although short-term, the proposed project's construction activities within the right-of-way could potentially impact the use of those streets during an emergency response or evacuation. Any lane closures, movement of heavy construction equipment, or any construction in, or use of, the street right-of-ways would be coordinated with the Departments of Public Works, Police, and Fire. If required, a department may designate an alternative evacuation route during short-term street construction. Nevertheless, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to adopted emergency response or evacuation plans. However, implementation of Mitigation Measures **HM1** and **HM2** would reduce impacts to less than significant.

**Mitigation Measures**

**HM1** An Emergency Procedures Plan shall be developed which includes notification to the City of Compton Departments of Public Works, Police, and Fire of any full or partial lane closures, movement of heavy construction equipment, and construction within the adjacent street right-of-ways.

**HM2** The Emergency Procedures Plan shall specify a process by which any activities in the adjacent right-of-ways shall be coordinated with the emergency requirements of the Departments of Public Works, Police, and Fire.

**h) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan exposed people and/or structures to a high risk of wildfire. The project area is located in the City of Compton and surrounded by a built urban environment. The project area is not located near any potential wildland fire areas.<sup>15</sup> Therefore, no impact related to exposure of persons and property to wildfire would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>15</sup>City of Compton, *General Plan Public Safety Element*, 1991.

**3.9 HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY (HW)**

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-<br>Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned land uses for which permits have been granted)? | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?                                                                                                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off site?                                                                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| e) Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?                                                                                                                                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| f) Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| g) Place housing within a 100-year flood plain as mapped on federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| h) Place within a 100-year flood plain structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                  | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-<br>Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
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| i) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam? | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| j) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in the discharge of water that does not meet the quality standards of agencies which regulate surface water quality and water discharge into stormwater drainage systems. The proposed project would not modify the channel of Compton Creek. However, construction of parks and associated structures (benches, lighting fixtures) would disrupt soils on the banks of Compton Creek. The proposed project would be required to comply with all applicable regulations regarding surface water quality as governed by the Regional Water Resources Control Board (RWQCB). These regulations include compliance with the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plan (SUSMP) requirements to reduce potential water quality impacts. The proposed project would also need to comply with the requirements of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit issued by the RWQCB. The NPDES Permit requires that all developers of land where construction activities will occur over more than one acre develop and implement a SWPPP, which specifies BMPs that will reduce pollution in stormwater discharges to the Best Available Technology Economically Achievable/Best Conventional Pollutant Control Technology standards and eliminate or reduce non-stormwater discharges to storm sewer systems and other waters of the nation. The SWPPP typically includes minimization of erosion during construction, stabilization of construction areas, sediment control, control of pollutants from construction materials, as well as post-construction stormwater management (e.g., the minimization of impervious surfaces, treatment of stormwater runoff, etc). The SWPPP also must include a discussion of the program to inspect and maintain all BMPs. In addition, the SWPPP would require implementation of an erosion control plan to reduce the potential for wind or waterborne erosion during the construction process. No continued erosion potential would exist after completion of construction.

The SUSMP requires developers to mitigate (infiltrate or treat) the stormwater runoff (volume or flow rate) generated from 0.75 inches of rainfall over 24 hours. The proposed project's SUSMP would be reviewed and revised over time to ensure that BMPs are functioning properly and are effective at treating runoff from the site throughout the life of the proposed project. The proposed project would also incorporate BMPs that would detain surface water runoff as well as treating these waters, either actively or passively, before discharging these waters to the local storm drain system. Through the incorporation of the requisite BMPs, development of the proposed project is anticipated to improve the quality of the water discharged from the site, compared to existing conditions. Compliance with the aforementioned standard construction and erosion control practices would ensure that the construction or operation of the proposed project would not violate any water quality or waste discharge requirements. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to water quality standards or waste discharge requirements.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

- b) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned land uses for which permits have been granted)?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan substantially depletes groundwater or interferes with groundwater discharge. The Master Plan is intended to serve as a guide to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. Implementation of the Master Plan would result in an increase in pervious surfaces which will permit more percolation of water into the ground. This is consistent with the General Plan Safety Element, which calls for “large areas of unpaved land...to permit more percolation of water into the ground.”<sup>16</sup> Water supply in the City is supplied by the Compton Municipal Water Department (CMWD). The CMWD gets its water from two sources: from local groundwater wells operated and maintained by the CMWD and the Metropolitan Water District, which draws its water supplies from distant sources for which it conducts its own assessment and mitigation of potential environmental impacts. The project area is located within the Central Groundwater Basin. This basin is adjudicated and is therefore regulated by a Watermaster, the California Department of Water Resources, Southern District.<sup>17</sup> The Watermaster Program ensures that water is allocated by established rights and that only safe yields are produced from the basin. This guarantees that the groundwater levels will not be depleted. Non-potable components of the Master Plan would use reclaimed water, which the City uses via a partnership with the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, and the Century and the Rio Hondo Water Reclamation Programs. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to groundwater supply and groundwater recharge.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

- c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner, which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan altered the drainage pattern of an existing stream or river so that erosion or siltation would result. The Master Plan proposes to improve Compton Creek through parks and trails, and no channel modifications to Compton Creek are being considered as part of the Master Plan. The banks of Compton Creek would be modified, but the existing drainage patterns would be conserved. Stormwater and irrigation runoff would be directed into existing storm drains. In addition, implementation of the Master Plan would result in an increase in pervious surfaces which will permit more percolation of water into the ground. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to the alteration of drainage patterns that would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site.

<sup>16</sup>City of Compton, *General Plan Public Safety Element*, 1991.

<sup>17</sup>Association of Ground Water Agencies website, [http://www.agwa.org/adjud\\_basins.html](http://www.agwa.org/adjud_basins.html), accessed September 15, 2010.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

- d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan substantially altered the drainage pattern of an existing stream or river so that flooding would result. The Master Plan proposes to improve Compton Creek through parks and trails, and no channel modifications to Compton Creek are being considered as part of the Master Plan. The banks of Compton Creek would be modified, but the existing drainage patterns would be conserved. Stormwater and irrigation runoff would be directed into existing storm drains. In addition, implementation of the Master Plan would result in an increase in pervious surfaces which will permit more percolation of water into the ground. Consequently, alterations to existing drainage patterns within the site and surrounding area would not occur. Although the project area is located within a 100-year flood zone hazard, none of the proposed project components would involve elements that could change or increase the risk of flooding. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to altering the existing drainage pattern or substantially increasing the rate or amount of surface runoff that would result in flooding on- or off-site.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

- e) Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in runoff water that exceeded the capacity of existing or planned storm drain systems serving the project area. A project-related significant adverse effect could also occur if a project could substantially increase sources of polluted runoff. The proposed project would involve building parks and open space adjacent to Compton Creek which would increase the amount of permeable surfaces and percolation of water. Therefore, runoff from the proposed project would be less than the existing runoff. The proposed project would implement a SWPPP during construction and a SUSMP during project operations in order to reduce the potential for additional sources of polluted runoff. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to surface runoff.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

- f) Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan substantially degraded water quality. The Master Plan provides recommendations to improve water quality by placing parks and open space next to Compton Creek. Construction and operation of the Master Plan would be required to comply with applicable federal, State, and local regulations in order to prevent violation of water quality standards or waste discharge requirements. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to water quality.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**g) Place housing within a 100-year flood plain as mapped on federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if the implementation of the Master Plan were to locate housing within a 100-year floodplain. The primary source of significant flood hazard to the City would be a flood event caused by overflow of the Los Angeles River Channel, which passes along the City's eastern boundary. If this were to occur, the eastern two thirds of the City would be subject to shallow flooding; this includes the southernmost 0.75-miles of the Master Plan Area, which has existing housing. This area of the City is between the limits of a 100-year and 500-year flood event (**Figure 3-6**).<sup>18</sup> The Master Plan proposes to improve Compton Creek by adding parks and open space on its banks, and no new housing or new buildings are being proposed as a part of the Master Plan. Therefore, no impact related to placing new housing within a 100-year flood plain would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**h) Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?**

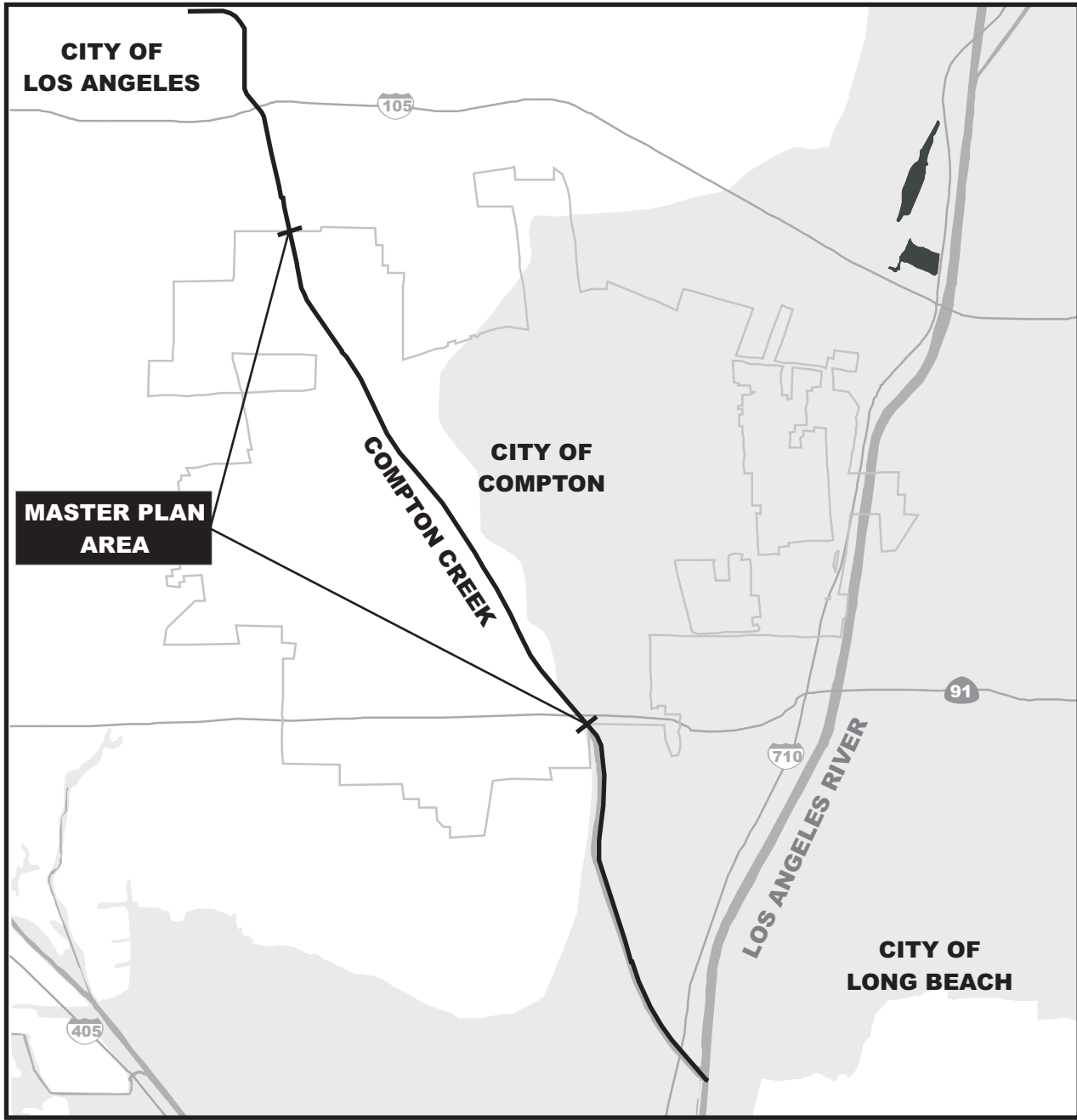
**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would impede or redirect flood flows. The Master Plan is intended to serve as a guide to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. The Master Plan identifies locations for potential components such as tree plantings; amenities such as trash receptacles and drinking fountains; parks and programs such as playgrounds and athletic facilities; and communication improvements such as way-finding signs. As mentioned above, there is no 100-year floodplain within the Master Plan area (**Figure 3-6**). The structures that are proposed as a part of the Master Plan (benches, pedestrian bridges, lighting fixtures) would not change, impede, or redirect flood flows. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to flooding.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>18</sup>FEMA Flood Maps website, <http://msc.fema.gov>, accessed November 24, 2010.



LEGEND:

 Compton Creek Master Plan Area

 100-Year Flood Zone

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.

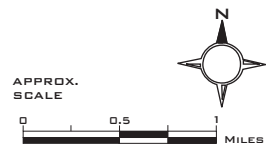


FIGURE 3-6

FLOOD ZONES

**i) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if the Master Plan was implemented on a site that is located within an area susceptible to flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam. As mentioned above, flooding potential within the City is between a 100-year and 500-year event and covers the eastern two thirds of the City of Compton, including the southernmost 0.75 miles of the Master Plan area.<sup>19</sup> The Master Plan proposes to improve the Compton Creek by adding parks and open space on its banks, and no new residences or buildings are proposed as a part of the Master Plan. The structures proposed under the Master Plan (benches, pedestrian bridges, lighting fixtures) would not be exposed to significant risks of flooding. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to exposing people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury, or death involving flooding.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**j) Expose people or structures to inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan exposed persons or structures to an area susceptible to inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow. A seiche is an oscillation of a body of water in an enclosed or semi-enclosed basin, such as a reservoir, harbor, or lake. A tsunami is a great sea wave produced by a significant undersea disturbance. Mudflows result from the downslope movement of soil and/or rock under the influence of gravity. The City of Compton is located inland, more than eight miles from the Pacific Ocean and thus the project area would not be exposed to the effects of a tsunami. Similarly, damage to the project area due to a seiche is not likely because no large bodies of water are present near the project area. Furthermore, the project area is not located within a hillside area or positioned downslope from any unprotected slopes or landslide areas; as a result, the project area is not positioned in an area of potential mudflow. Therefore no impacts related to inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>19</sup>City of Compton, *General Plan Safety Element*, 1991.

### 3.10 LAND USE AND PLANNING (LU)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Potentially Significant Impact | Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated | Less-Than-Significant Impact        | No Impact                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Physically divide an established community?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Conflict with applicable land use plan, policy or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect? | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| c) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?                                                                                                                                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

#### a) Physically divide an established community?

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan were sufficiently large or configured in such a way so as to create a physical barrier within an established community. Compton Creek is a natural physical barrier that already serves as a dividing line between existing communities. The Master Plan includes features that would increase community connectivity, such as a 3.75-mile continuous park system of gardens, plazas, trails, habitats, outdoor classrooms, and promenades. The proposed project would increase connectivity in the area through improved walkways, bikeways, equestrian paths, and pedestrian crosswalks across Compton Creek. Therefore, no impact related to division of an established community would occur.

#### Mitigation Measures

None required.

#### b) Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan caused inconsistencies with applicable plans, policies, and zoning designations. At the local level, the City of Compton General Plan implements land use policies for the project area and vicinity. At a regional level, the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) "serves as an advisory document to local agencies in the Southern California region for their information and voluntary use for preparing local plans and handling local issues of regional significance."<sup>20</sup>

The project area has a variety of land uses and zoning designations within its boundaries. Implementation of the Master Plan will not conflict with these designations, and instead would meet several goals and policies from the Conservation/Open Space/Parks and Recreation Element of the adopted General Plan:

<sup>20</sup>SCAG 2008 Regional Comprehensive Plan website, <http://www.scag.ca.gov/rcp/index.htm>, accessed September 29, 2010.

- Policy 1.4: Encourage neighborhood parks close to concentrations of residents to encourage pedestrian travel to public recreation facilities.
- Policy 1.6: Encourage bike paths and lanes to reduce vehicular travel and air pollution...Cooperate and coordinate such efforts with the property owners and responsible jurisdictions.
- Goal 4.0: Develop and maintain a balanced system of open space, public parks, and recreational facilities.
- Policy 4.1: Provide active and passive park and recreational facilities, based on the distribution of population within the City, to serve the needs of residents of all ages, economic levels, and physical conditions.
- Policy 4.3: Upgrade existing park facilities to improve park use and appearance.
- Policy 4.4: Create opportunities for joint use of public facilities for recreational purposes, such as schools, utility easements, and abandoned railroad rights-of-way.
- Policy 4.5: Pursue opportunities for the creation of additional open space and parkland whenever available.
- Policy 4.8: Develop and maintain a public parkland master plan which identifies City open space and recreational needs.
- Policy 4.9: Increase access to all City open space and recreational areas, including for the disabled and those who depend on public transit.

The Master Plan also meets a goal and policy from the Land Use Element of the adopted General Plan:

- Goal 2.0: Maintain a balanced and diversified distribution of land use in Compton.
- Policy 2.7: Provide and maintain sufficient park land and open space resources to meet the community's diverse needs.

The Master Plan also meets several goals of the Open Space and Habitat chapter of the Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) 2008 RCP.<sup>21</sup>

- Ensure a sustainable ecology by protecting and enhancing the region's open space infrastructure and mitigate growth and transportation related impacts to natural lands by:
  - Conserving natural lands that are necessary to preserve the ecological function and value of the region's ecosystems; and
  - Conserving wildlife linkages as critical components of the region's open space infrastructure;
- Enhance the region's parks, trails, and community open space infrastructure to support the aesthetic, recreational and quality-of-life needs, providing the highest level of service to our growing region by:
  - Creating new community open space that is interconnected, accessible, equitably distributed, provides public health benefits, and meets the changing and diverse needs of communities; and
  - Improving existing community open space through urban forestry and other programs that provide environmental benefits.

In accordance with the above mentioned policies, the proposed project will provide many benefits to the area, including improved riparian habitat quality and quantity, improved water quality, creation of adjacent open spaces and development that enhances the natural qualities of Compton Creek, increased and improved open space and recreation opportunities, as well as improved pedestrian, bicycle, and equestrian access and safety.

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<sup>21</sup>SCAG 2008 Regional Comprehensive Plan website, <http://www.scag.ca.gov/rcp/index.htm>, accessed September 29, 2010.

The proposed project does not conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation. To the contrary, it is in accordance with goals and policies of the adopted General Plan and the SCAG 2008 RCP. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to applicable land use plan and policies.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**c) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if the Master Plan were located within an area governed by a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) or Natural Community Conservation Plan (NCCP). The area surrounding the project area is highly urbanized. Currently, there is no HCP or NCCP applicable to the project area. Therefore, no impact related to any HCP or NCCP would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**3.11 MINERAL RESOURCES (MR)**

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                     | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-<br>Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan, or other land use plan? | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**a) Result in the loss or non-availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would result in the loss of the availability of known mineral resources of regional value. The Dominguez Oil Field lies underneath the southern portion of the Master Plan.<sup>22</sup> However, there are no active drilling or pumping practices taking place within the project area.<sup>23</sup> There are six oil and gas wells within 0.5-mile of Compton Creek, but each has been plugged or buried and none of them are currently active<sup>24</sup> (**Figure 3-7**). The Master Plan would not prohibit drilling activities and, therefore, would not result in the loss or non-availability of any known, regionally valuable mineral resource. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to the loss of a known mineral resource.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan, or other land use plan?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in the loss of availability of known mineral resources of local value. The City's General Plan does not conserve, protect, or discuss any locally-important mineral resources. Likewise, no specific plan or other land use plan covers a locally-important mineral resource. The proposed project would not result in the loss or non-availability of any known, locally valuable mineral resource. Therefore, no impact related to loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource would occur.

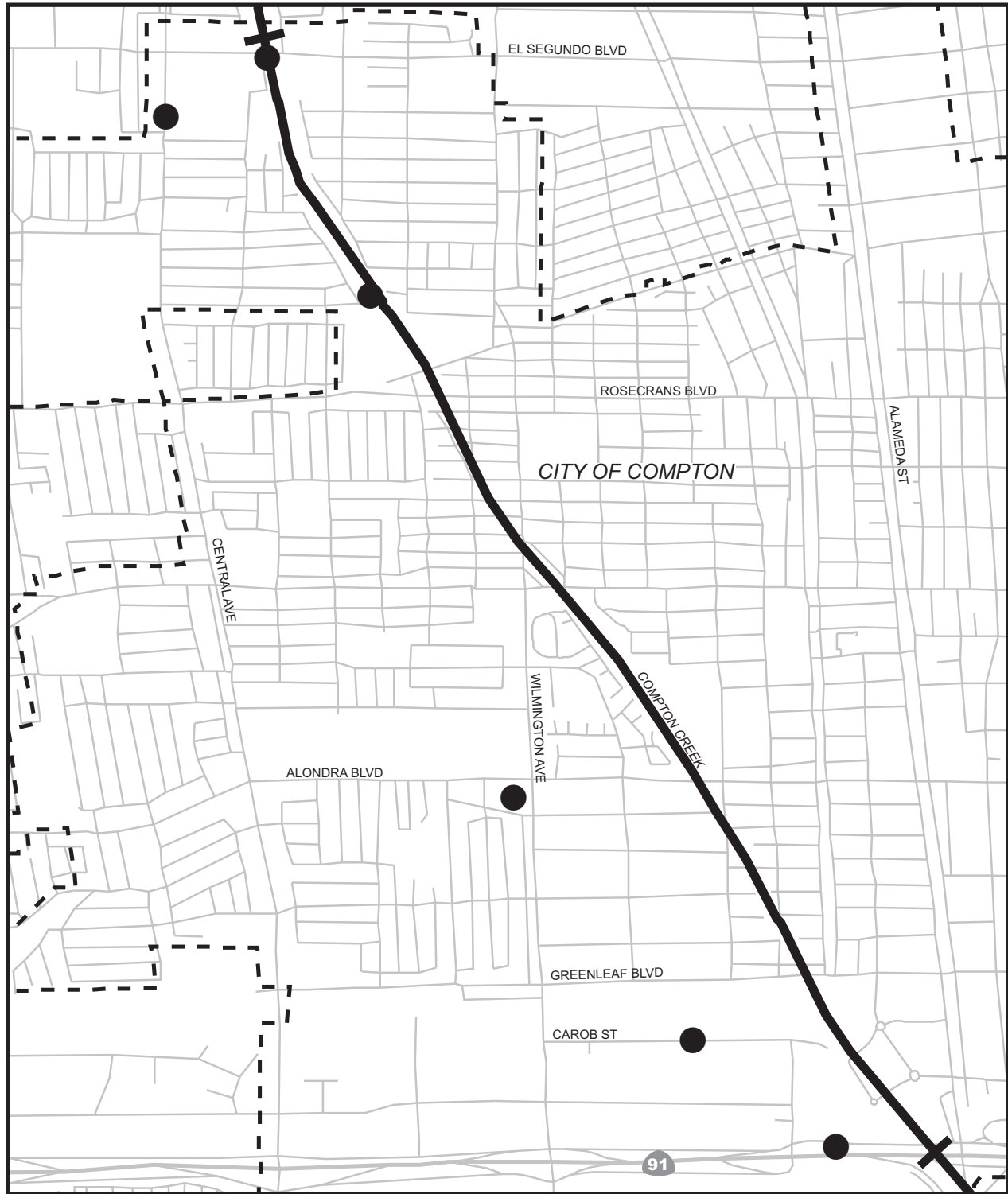
**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

<sup>22</sup>Dominguez Oil Field map website, <ftp://ftp.consrv.ca.gov/pub/oil/maps/dist1/125/Map125.pdf>, accessed September 21, 2010.

<sup>23</sup>California Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources online mapping website, <http://maps.conservation.ca.gov/doms/index.html>, accessed September 27, 2010.

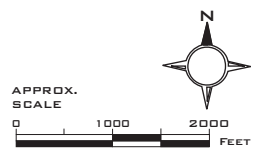
<sup>24</sup>*Ibid.*



LEGEND:

-  Compton Creek Master Plan
-  City Boundaries
-  Approximate Oil and Gas Well Locations

SOURCE: California Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources, TAHA, 2011.



**3.12 NOISE (N)**

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-<br>Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Exposure of persons to or generation of noise in levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b) Exposure of people to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?                                                                                                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| c) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?                                                                                                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| d) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?                                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?                                                                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**a) Expose persons to or generate noise in levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated.** A significant impact would occur if the proposed project would expose persons to or generate noise in levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies. This noise analysis discusses sound levels in terms of Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL) and Equivalent Noise Level ( $L_{eq}$ ). CNEL is an average sound level during a 24-hour day. CNEL is a noise measurement scale, which accounts for noise source, distance, single event duration, single event occurrence, frequency, and time of day. The CNEL is obtained by adding an additional five decibels to sound levels in the evening from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and ten decibels (dBA) to sound levels in the night before 7:00 a.m. and after 10:00 p.m. Because CNEL accounts for human sensitivity to sound, the CNEL 24-hour figure is always a higher number than the actual 24-hour average.  $L_{eq}$  is the average noise level on an energy basis for any specific time period. The  $L_{eq}$  for one hour is the energy average noise level during the hour. The average noise level is based on the energy content (acoustic energy) of the sound.  $L_{eq}$  can be thought of as the level of a continuous noise that has the same energy content as the fluctuating noise level.

### City of Compton Noise Regulations

The Noise Element of the General Plan is a comprehensive program for including noise control in the planning process.<sup>25</sup> It is a tool for achieving and maintaining environmental noise levels compatible with land use. The Noise Element includes a noise/land use compatibility matrix that states that park land uses are clearly compatible with noise levels up to 65 dBA CNEL. The Noise Element also includes the State of California Recommended Land Use Compatibility Standards included in **Table 3-3**. The exterior standard for open space is reiterated as 65 dBA CNEL.

| TABLE 3-3: STATE OF CALIFORNIA RECOMMENDED LAND USE COMPATIBILITY |                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| Land Use Categories                                               |                                       | CNEL                                                                                                                                                |    |    |    |    |    |   |
| Categories                                                        | Uses                                  | <55                                                                                                                                                 | 60 | 65 | 70 | 75 | 80 | > |
| Residential                                                       | Single-Family, Duplex, Multi-Family   |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Mobile Home, Mixed Use                |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
| Commercial                                                        | Hotel, Motel, Other Lodging           |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | General Commercial, Retail            |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Office                                |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
| Industrial                                                        | Business Park, Research & Development |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Manufacturing, Warehousing            |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
| Institutional                                                     | Hospitals, Schools, Libraries         |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Churches, Civic Uses                  |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
| Recreation and Open Space                                         | Public Parks                          |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Golf Course, Natural Habitat          |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Commercial Recreation                 |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   |                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Clearly Compatible                    | Ambient noise levels are not significant enough to require special construction and/or mitigation.                                                  |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Normally Compatible                   | Most land uses will not be affected by ambient noise. Some form of design measures and/or mitigation may be required for noise sensitive land uses. |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Clearly Incompatible                  | Noise sensitive land uses should not be located in these areas unless mitigation is employed to reduce interior noise levels.                       |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|                                                                   | Normally Incompatible                 | Noise sensitive land uses should not be located in these areas due to excessive and continuous high ambient noise.                                  |    |    |    |    |    |   |
| SOURCE: City of Compton, Draft General Plan 2030, January 2011.   |                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |    |    |    |    |    |   |

The City has adopted a noise ordinance to support the Noise Element. The Noise Ordinance states that it is the policy of the City to prohibit unnecessary, excessive and annoying noises from all sources subject to its police power. Relevant sections of the code refer to sensitive receptor exposure, operational noise, and construction activity. Section 7-12.9 (Schools, Hospitals and Churches) of the Ordinance states that it is unlawful for any person to create any noise on any street, sidewalk or public place adjacent to any school, institution of learning or church while the same is in use or adjacent to any hospital, which noise unreasonably interferes with the workings of such institution or which disturbs or unduly annoys patients in the hospital, provided conspicuous signs are displayed in such streets, sidewalk or public place indicating the presence of a school, church or hospital.

Section 7-12.11 (Machinery, Equipment, Fans and Air Conditioning) of the Ordinance states that it is unlawful for any person to operate any machinery, equipment, pump, fan, air conditioning apparatus or

<sup>25</sup>City of Compton, *General Plan – Vision 2010*, December 3, 1991.

similar mechanical device in any manner so as to create any noise which would cause the noise level at the property line of any property to exceed the ambient noise level by more than five decibels.

Section 7-12.22 (Construction or Repairing of Buildings, Pile Drivers, Hoists, and Steam Shovels) of the Ordinance states that no person shall cause or permit any work to be done or do any work on the erection (including excavation), or use any pile driver, steam shovel, pneumatic hammer, derrick, steam or electric hoist, unless the noise caused thereby is confined within a building, other than between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Monday through Saturday, except in cases of urgent necessity in the interest of public health and safety and then only with a permit from the Building Official. No such permit shall be granted for a period of more than three days, but may be renewed from time to time so long as the emergency exists.

### ***Sensitive Receptors***

Noise-sensitive land uses are locations where people reside or where the presence of unwanted sound could adversely affect the use of the land. Residences, schools, hospitals, guest lodging, libraries, and some passive recreation areas would each be considered noise-sensitive and may warrant unique measures for protection from intruding noise. Numerous sensitive receptors are located along Compton Creek. These include residences, schools (e.g., Compton High School), and parks (e.g., Raymond Street Park).

### ***Existing Ambient Noise Levels***

The existing noise environment of the project area is characterized by vehicular traffic and noises typical to a dense urban area (e.g., sirens, horns, helicopters, etc.). Sound measurements were taken using a SoundPro DL Sound Level Meter between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on October 26, 2010 to determine existing ambient daytime noise levels in the project vicinity. The existing ambient sound levels range between 52.0 and 56.4 dBA  $L_{eq}$ .

### ***Construction Noise***

Construction activity would include the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. The Master Plan would be completed in following four separate phases:

- Phase #1: Reconnect and Restore (Years 1-2)
- Phase #2: Fill and Inform (Years 3-5)
- Phase #3: Connect and Extend (Years 10-15)
- Phase #4: Creek Zone Network (Years 15+)

Construction activities require the use of noise-generating equipment, such as trucks, loaders, and jackhammers. Typical noise levels from various types of equipment that may be used during construction are listed in **Table 3-4**. The table shows noise levels at distances of 50 and 100 feet from the construction noise source. Construction equipment typically generates a noise level with an  $L_{eq}$  in the high 80s.

| TABLE 3-4: MAXIMUM NOISE LEVELS OF COMMON CONSTRUCTION MACHINES                                                                   |                   |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Noise Source                                                                                                                      | Noise Level (dBA) |          |
|                                                                                                                                   | 50 Feet           | 100 Feet |
| Front Loader                                                                                                                      | 80                | 74       |
| Trucks                                                                                                                            | 89                | 83       |
| Cranes (derrick)                                                                                                                  | 88                | 82       |
| Jackhammers                                                                                                                       | 90                | 84       |
| Generators                                                                                                                        | 77                | 71       |
| Back Hoe                                                                                                                          | 84                | 78       |
| Tractor                                                                                                                           | 88                | 82       |
| Scraper/Grader                                                                                                                    | 87                | 81       |
| Paver                                                                                                                             | 87                | 81       |
| Impact Pile Driving                                                                                                               | 101               | 95       |
| Auger Drilling                                                                                                                    | 77                | 71       |
| SOURCE: USEPA, <i>Noise from Construction Equipment and Operations, Building Equipment and Home Appliances</i> , PB 206717, 1971. |                   |          |

The City does not have specific limitation on construction noise levels. Instead, construction noise is regulated by limiting construction activity to the less noise sensitive daytime hours. The Noise Ordinance requires construction to be limited to between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Construction activity would occur within the time confines set forth within the Noise Ordinance and construction activity would not result in the exposure of sensitive receptors to noise levels in excess of standards established in the Noise Ordinance. However, construction activity would increase noise levels at sensitive receptors, including residences and schools and, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to construction noise. However, implementation of Mitigation Measures N1 through N3 would reduce the impacts to less than significant.

### Operational Noise

The proposed project would generate operational noise associated with the multi-use trail, outdoor classrooms, and small parks. Operational activity would not include substantial sources of stationary noise and the proposed project would be consistent with Section 7-12.11 (Machinery, Equipment, Fans and Air Conditioning) of the Noise Ordinance. Users of the multi-use trail (e.g., bicyclists) and small parks would generate neighborhood-type noise levels that are compatible with the sensitive receptors located along Compton Creek. In addition, equestrian activity would not generate noise levels that are incompatible with residential and other sensitive land uses. Outdoor classrooms would be located adjacent to existing schools, and would be compatible with the surrounding land uses. Operational activity would not generate mechanical noise, and would be compatible with existing land uses. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to operational noise.

### Mitigation Measures

- N1** The Applicant shall ensure that all construction equipment shall be equipped with mufflers and other suitable noise attenuation devices.
- N2** The Applicant shall ensure that the construction contractor shall use quieter equipment as opposed to noisier equipment (such as rubber-tired equipment rather than metal-tracked equipment).
- N3** The Applicant shall ensure that the construction contractor shall place noise-generating construction equipment and locate construction staging areas away from sensitive uses.

**b) Exposure of people to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if the proposed project would generate excessive groundborne vibration or noise levels. High levels of vibration may cause physical personal injury or damage to buildings. Groundborne vibration levels rarely affect human health. Instead, most people consider groundborne vibration to be an annoyance that may affect concentration or disturb sleep. In addition, high levels of groundborne vibration may damage fragile buildings or interfere with equipment that is highly sensitive to groundborne vibration (e.g., electron microscopes). The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has indicated that non-engineered timber and masonry buildings can be exposed to ground-borne vibration levels of 0.2 inches per second without experiencing structural damage.<sup>26</sup>

**Construction**

The operation of heavy-duty construction equipment (e.g., a large bulldozer) generates vibration levels of 0.089 inches per second at a distance of 25 feet.<sup>27</sup> Construction activity would generally be at least 25 feet from heavy-duty construction equipment. The vibration exposure level at this distance would be 0.1 inches per second. This would be less than the 0.2 inches per second FTA limit for non-engineered timber and masonry buildings. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to construction vibration.

**Operations**

The proposed project would not include significant sources of operational groundborne vibration. Operational ground-borne vibration in the project vicinity would be generated by vehicular travel on the local roadways. However, the FTA has stated that rubber-tired vehicles do not typically generate perceptible groundborne vibration. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to operational vibration.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**c) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would cause a substantial permanent (operational) increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the proposed project. As discussed in Response to Checklist Question 3.12.a, the proposed project would not permanently increase ambient noise levels. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to a substantial permanent (operational) increase in noise levels.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>26</sup>Federal Transit Administration, *Transit Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment*, May 2006.

<sup>27</sup>Federal Transit Administration, *Transit Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment*, May 2006.

**d) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would cause a substantial temporary (construction) increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the proposed project. As discussed in Response to Checklist Question 3.12.a, the proposed project would not temporarily increase ambient noise levels. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to a substantial temporary (construction) increase in noise levels.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would expose people residing or working in the vicinity of a public airport to excessive noise levels. A segment of the project site is located approximately 0.25 miles east of the Compton Airport. The Noise Element of the General Plan states that land uses designated as parks are clearly compatible with noise levels up to 65 dBA CNEL.<sup>28</sup> The project site is not located within the 65 dBA CNEL airport contour.<sup>29</sup> The proposed project would not expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels related to the operation of a public airport. Therefore, no impact related to public airport noise exposure would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**f) For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact could occur if the proposed project would expose people residing or working in the vicinity of a private airstrip to excessive noise levels. The project site is not located within at least five miles of a private airstrip. The proposed project would not expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels related to the operation of a private airstrip. Therefore, no impact related to private airstrip noise exposure would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

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<sup>28</sup>City of Compton, *General Plan – Vision 2010*, December 3, 1991.

<sup>29</sup>Los Angeles County Airport Land Use Commission, *Compton Airport Influence Area*, May 13, 2003.

**3.13 POPULATION AND HOUSING (PH)**

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                       | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
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| a) Induce substantial population growth in an area either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Displace substantial numbers of people necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?                                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**a) Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan induced substantial population growth that would not have, otherwise, occurred as rapidly or in as great a magnitude. The proposed project consists of the development of new park land and improved bikeways and equestrian paths, which does not typically induce substantial population growth. The Master Plan does not involve the construction of new residences and, consequently, the proposed project would not induce substantial population growth in the area. Therefore, no impact related to population growth would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

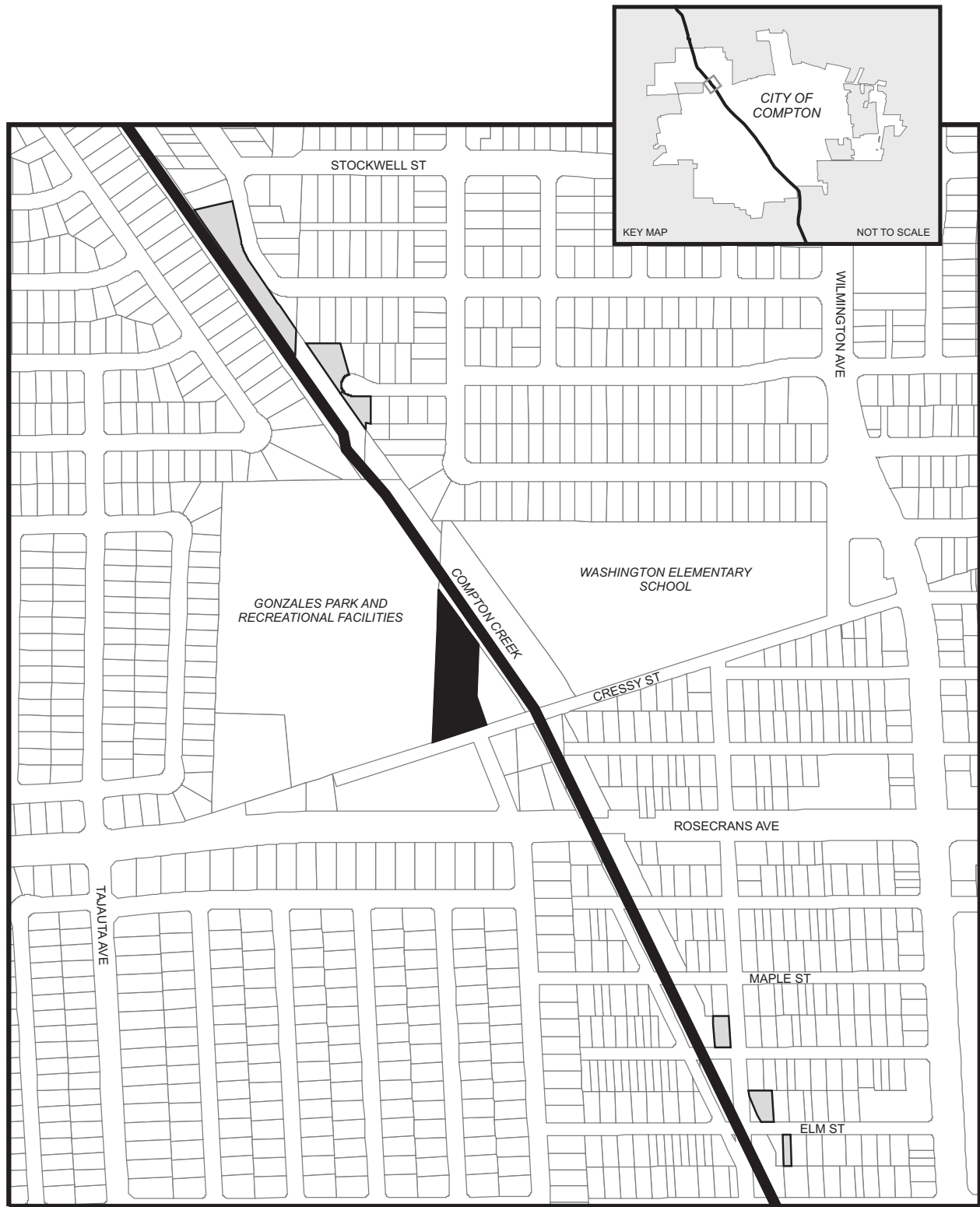
None required.

**b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan displaced a substantial quantity of existing residences. As stated above, the proposed project consists of the development of new park land and improved bikeways and equestrian paths. **Figures 3-8, 3-9, and 3-10** show the parcels that could be impacted by the Master Plan. No housing would be displaced as a result of implementation of the Master Plan. Therefore, no impact related to housing displacement would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.



LEGEND:

-  Compton Creek
-  Parcel Potentially Displaced
-  Acquisition of Entire Parcel
-  Acquisition of a Portion of the Parcel

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.

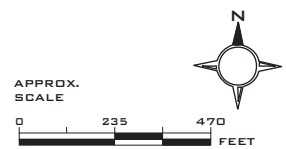


FIGURE 3-8

DISPLACED PARCELS BETWEEN  
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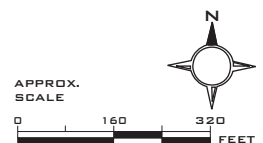
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LEGEND:

-  Compton Creek
- Parcels Potentially Displaced**
-  Acquisition of Entire Parcel
-  Acquisition of a Portion of the Parcel

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.

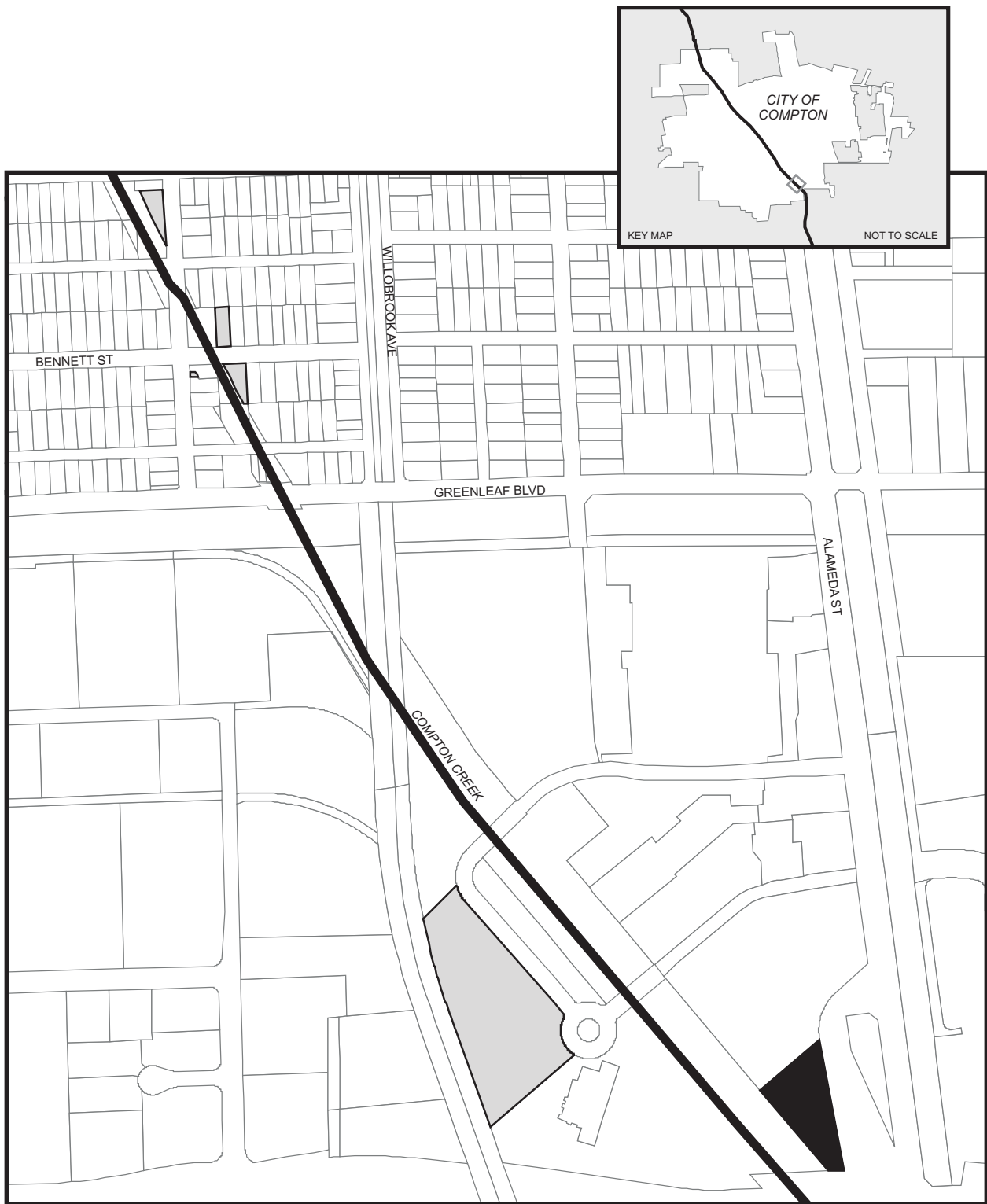


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FIGURE 3-9

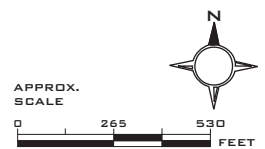
DISPLACED PARCELS BETWEEN  
COMPTON AND ALONDRA BOULEVARDS



LEGEND:

- Compton Creek
- Parcels Potentially Displaced
- Acquisition of Entire Parcel
- Acquisition of a Portion of the Parcel

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



**c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan displaced a substantial number of people. As stated above, the proposed project consists of developing new park land and improving bikeways and equestrian paths, primarily within the existing Compton Creek right-of-way. While there are whole and partial parcels that would be acquired for implementation of the Master Plan (**Figures 3-8, 3-9, and 3-10**), no housing units will be displaced. Therefore, no impact related to population displacement would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

### 3.14 PUBLIC SERVICES (PS)

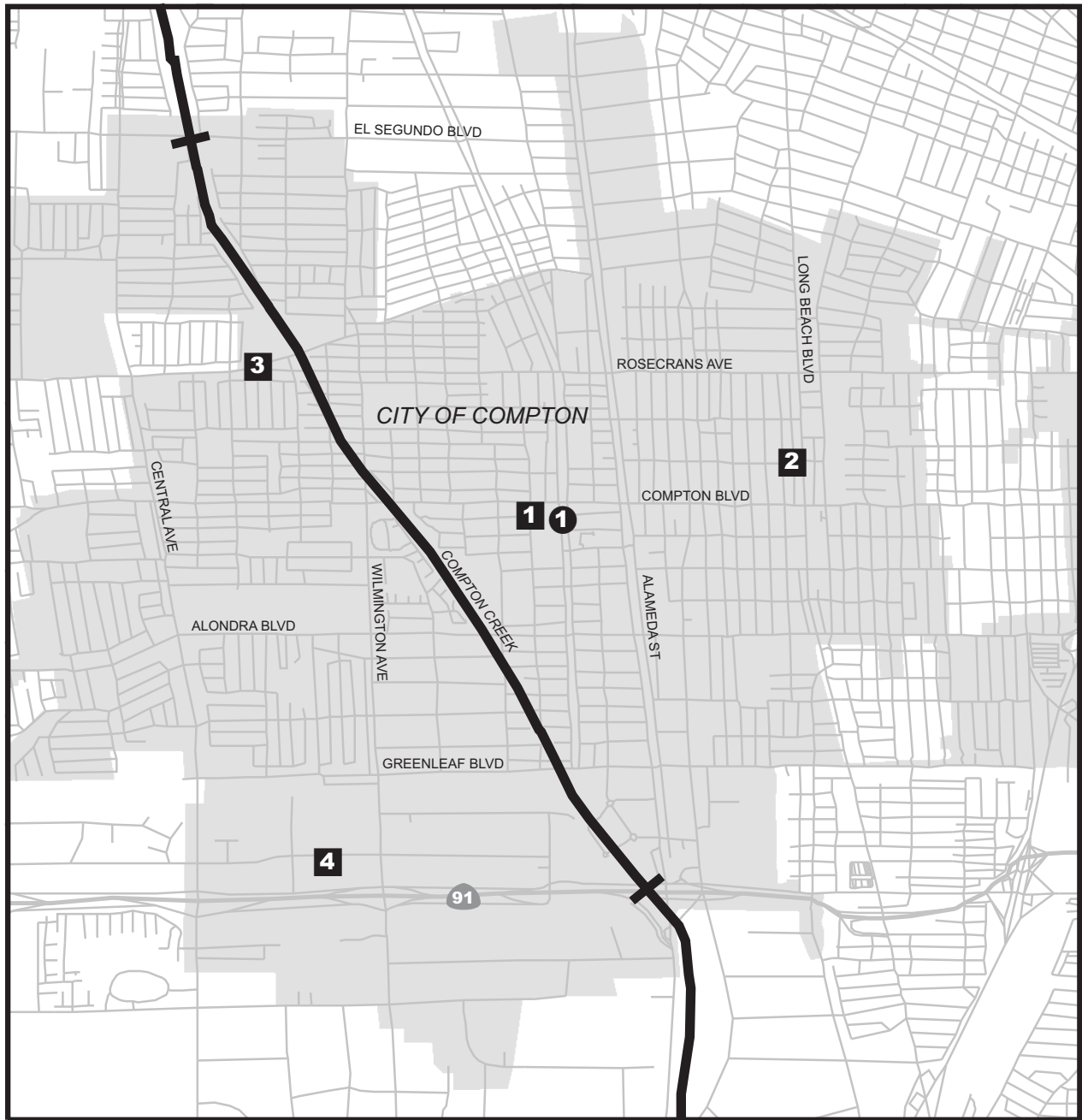
| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-<br>Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
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| a) Substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: |                                      |                                                                        |                                         |                                     |
| i) Fire protection?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| ii) Police protection?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| iii) Schools?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| iv) Parks?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| v) Other public facilities (including roads)?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**a) Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, the need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:**

**(i) Fire protection?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would necessitate a new or physically altered fire station. Fire services for the City are provided by the City of Compton Fire Department (CFD). The CFD has 84 sworn employees and five civilian employees. Its resources include four fire stations and nine front-line emergency vehicles comprised of four fire engines, one truck, two paramedic squads, and two basic life support transport ambulances. The stations located in the City include the following: Fire Station #1 located at 201 South Acacia Avenue 0.6 miles from Compton Creek; Fire Station #2 located at 1320 East Palmer Street two miles to Compton Creek; Fire Station #3 located at 1133 West Rosecrans Avenue 0.1 miles to Compton Creek; and Fire Station #4 located at 950 West Walnut Street 1.2 miles to Compton Creek (**Figure 3-11**).

#10.



LEGEND:

-  Compton Creek Master Plan Area
-  City of Compton
-  Fire Stations
-  Sheriff's Station

- 1. Fire Station 1
- 2. Fire Station 2
- 3. Fire Station 3
- 4. Fire Station 4
- 1. Compton Station

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.

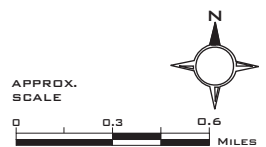


FIGURE 3-11

FIRE AND POLICE STATIONS

The CFD ranks among the five busiest departments in California, responding to an average of 10,000 emergency calls per year. Approximately 75 percent of the calls are for Emergency Medical Services. The CFD's average response time is 4.5 minutes.<sup>30</sup> The project area is located in an urbanized area and is not designated by the City of Compton General Plan as a high fire hazard area.

The Master Plan proposes to improve the visual character of Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. No new buildings or large structures are proposed as a part of the Master Plan. In addition, the Master Plan would not directly generate population growth because it does not include any housing which typically increases the need for fire protection services. Nevertheless, mitigation is proposed to ensure that the proposed project would not result in a significant impact related to fire protection. Implementation of Mitigation Measure **PS1** would further reduce impacts to less than significant.

### Mitigation Measures

**PS1** Prior to the issuance of building permits for a project implemented as a part of the Master Plan, the final site plan and site circulation plan shall be reviewed and approved by the City of Compton Fire Department to ensure conformity to their fire prevention and operational requirements.

#### (ii) Police protection?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation.** Police protection services to the City are provided by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LACSD). A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in the LACSD not adequately being able to serve the proposed project, necessitating a new or physically altered station. The Compton Sheriff's Station is located at 301 S. Willowbrook Avenue, approximately 0.5 miles from Compton Creek (**Figure 3-11**).

No new buildings are being proposed as a part of the Master Plan. In addition, the Master Plan would not directly generate population growth since it does not include any housing which typically increases the need for police protection. As specific projects are proposed as a part of the Master Plan they will be designed with bright, consistent lighting and motion-activated lights along paths and within parks as well as installing surveillance cameras and establishing security watch groups along Compton Creek. Nevertheless, mitigation is proposed to ensure that the proposed project would not result in a significant impact related to police protection. Implementation of Mitigation Measure **PS2** would further reduce impacts to less than significant.

### Mitigation Measures

**PS2** Prior to the issuance of building permits for a project implemented as a part of the Master Plan, the final site plan and site circulation plan shall be reviewed and approved by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to ensure conformity to their crime prevention measures and operational requirements.

#### iii) Schools?

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in substantial employment or population growth, which could generate a demand for school facilities that

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<sup>30</sup>City of Compton, Fire Department Overview website, <http://www.comptoncity.org/index.php/Fire-Department/fire-department-overview.htm>, accessed on November 4, 2010.

would exceed the capacity of the Compton Unified School District (CUSD). The Compton Unified School District provides public education for grades K-12. The district is comprised of 24 elementary schools, eight middle schools, three high schools, one adult school, and five alternative learning schools. There are ten public schools that are located within one-quarter mile of Compton Creek (**Figure 3-12**). These schools include: Centennial High School, McNair Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, Davis Middle School, Tibby Elementary School, Laurel Elementary School, Compton High School, Kennedy Elementary School, and Compton Community College. The Master Plan would not directly generate population growth since it does not include any housing and, consequently, the proposed project would not generate new students and no additional schools would be required. However, one objective of the Master Plan is to connect Creek-adjacent schools to Compton Creek and to create a networked system of environmental learning through the establishment of outdoor classrooms with Creek-side adjacent schools. Therefore, beneficial impacts related to schools would occur.

### Mitigation Measures

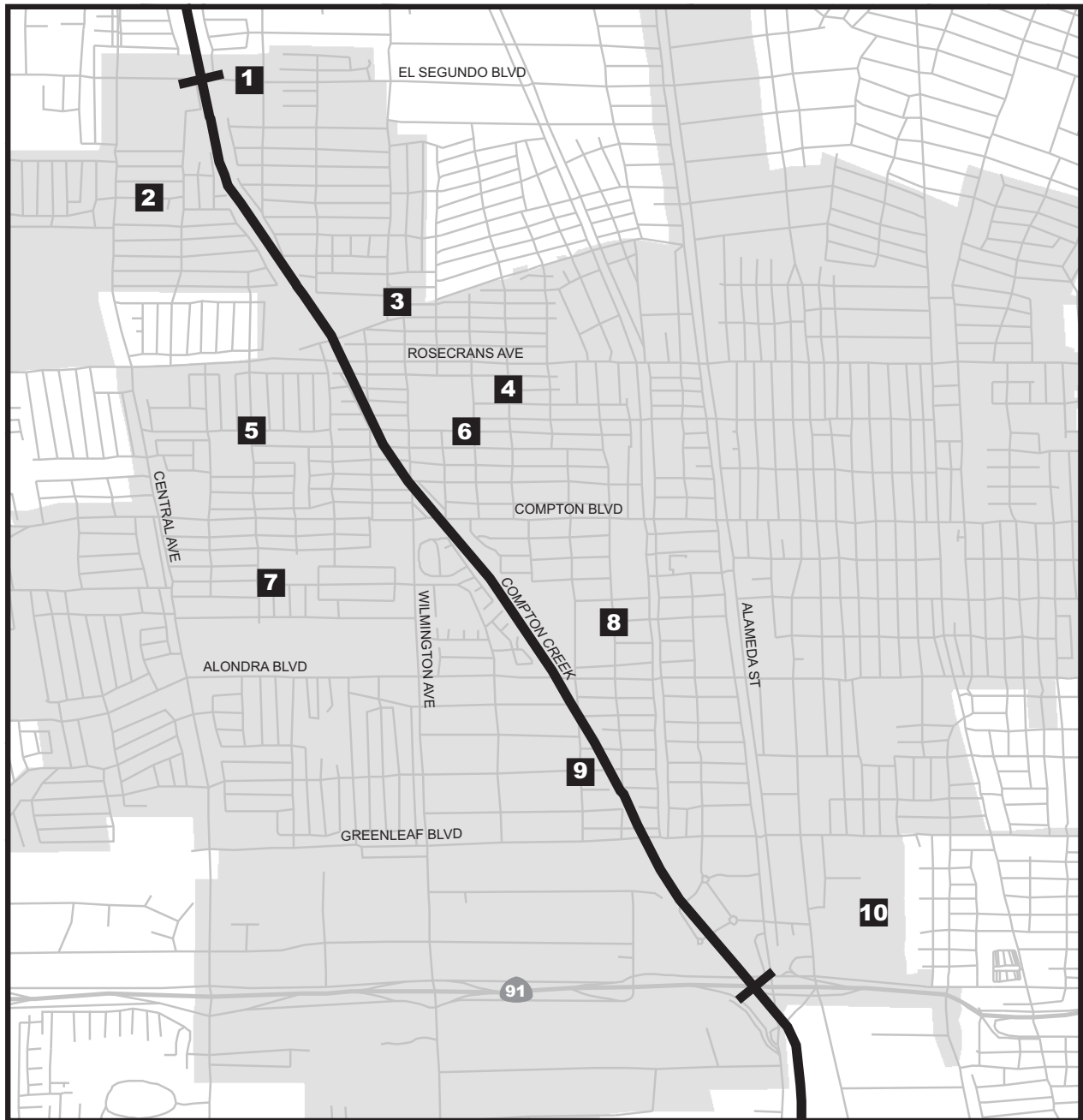
None required.

#### iv) Parks?

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan exceeded the capacity or capability of the local park system to serve the proposed project. The local park system is managed by the City of Compton Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR). Within the City of Compton, there is a deficiency of parks for the resident population per the City-specific standards. There are 20 parks within the City of Compton that comprise a total of 74.6 acres (**Figure 3-13**). With a population of 97,300 (2008 Census estimate), there currently exist approximately 0.77 acres of open space per 1,000 residents, far below the City preferred standard of two acres per 1,000 residents. In order to alleviate the park deficiency, the Master Plan intends to improve the area surrounding Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. It is expected that as a result of the implementation of the Master Plan, access to parks and open space would increase. This is consistent with the General Plan Conservation/Open Space/Parks and Recreation Element Goal which is to “develop and maintain a balanced system of open space, public parks, and recreational facilities.”

According to the General Plan Conservation/Open Space/Parks and Recreation Element, parks can be classified into three groups: mini parks, neighborhood parks, and community parks. A “Mini Park” includes parks up to one acre in size with a service radius of one-quarter-mile. Mini Parks include such standards as providing playgrounds, picnic areas, and passive areas. A “Neighborhood Park” includes parks that are 5-20 acres in size with a service radius of one-half-mile. Neighborhood Parks include such standards as providing playgrounds, picnic areas, and passive areas, with the choice of also providing restrooms and athletic facilities. A “Community Park” includes parks that are 20 to 40 acres in size with a service radius of two miles. Community Parks include such standards as providing playgrounds, picnic areas, passive areas, restrooms, and athletic facilities with the choice of also providing additional athletic facilities, a community center or swimming area.<sup>31</sup>

<sup>31</sup>City of Compton, *General Plan Safety Element*, 1991.



## LEGEND:



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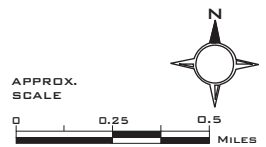


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# Schools

- |                          |                               |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. McNair Elementary     | 6. Davis Middle               |
| 2. Centennial High       | 7. Laurel Elementary          |
| 3. Washington Elementary | 8. Compton High               |
| 4. Dickson Elementary    | 9. Kennedy Elementary         |
| 5. Tibby Elementary      | 10. Compton Community College |

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.

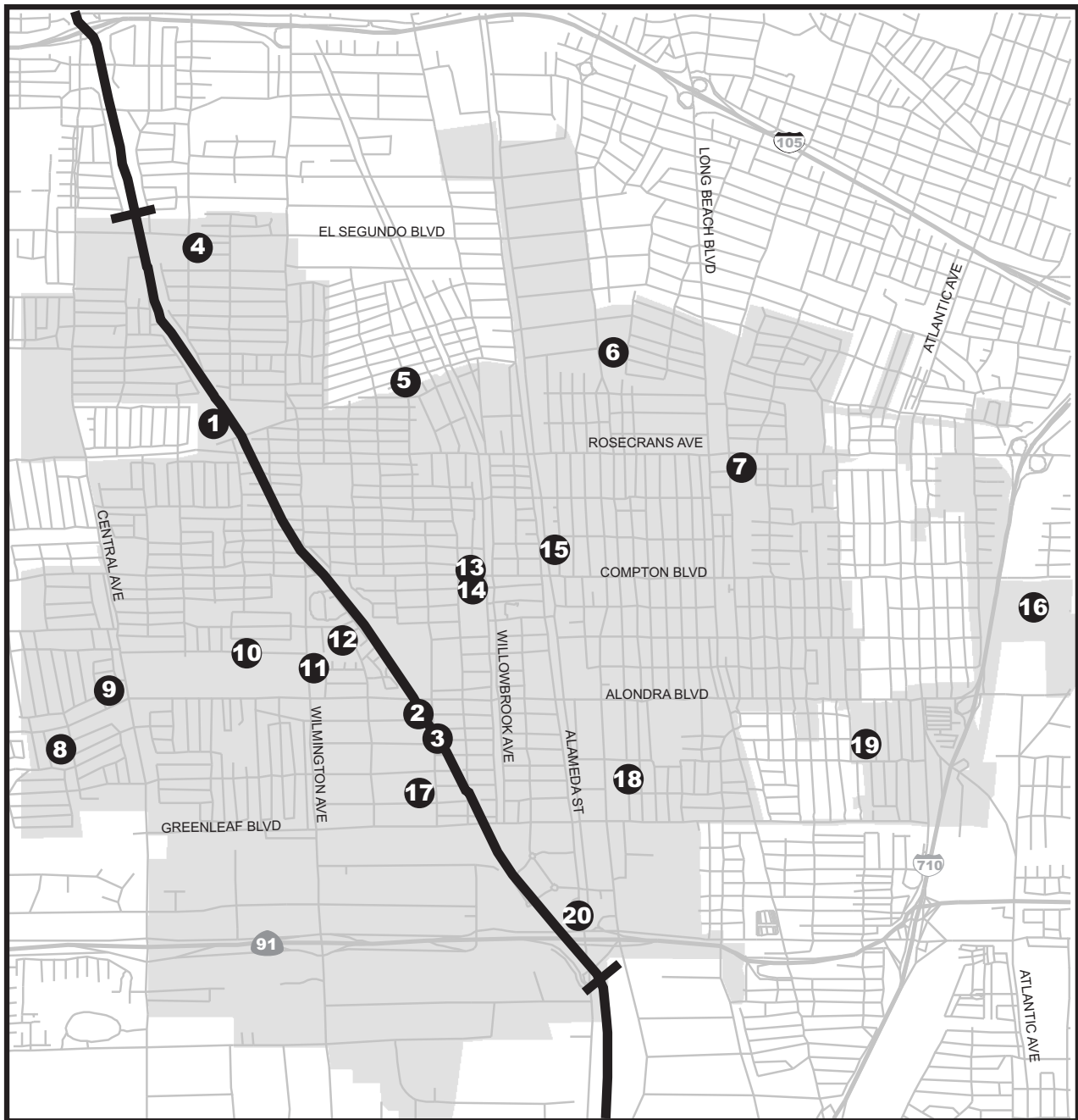


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FIGURE 3-12

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES



LEGEND:

-  Compton Creek Master Plan Area
-  City of Compton
-  Parks and Recreational Facilities

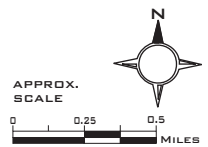
**Parks Adjacent to Compton Creek**

- 1.** Gonzales Park & Recreational Facilities
- 2.** Raymond Street Park
- 3.** Oleander/Tichenor Pocket Park

**Other Parks (Distance to Compton Creek)**

- |                                                   |                                                 |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <b>4.</b> Sibrie Park (0.19)                      | <b>15.</b> Wilson Park (1.02)                   |
| <b>5.</b> Fig/Oleander Park (0.71)                | <b>16.</b> Compton Par Three Golf Course (2.75) |
| <b>6.</b> Oaks Park (1.66)                        | <b>17.</b> Ellerman Park (0.18)                 |
| <b>7.</b> Lueders Park (1.98)                     | <b>18.</b> South Park (0.68)                    |
| <b>8.</b> Burrell-MacDonald Park (1.52)           | <b>19.</b> Kelly Park (1.66)                    |
| <b>9.</b> Tragniew Park (1.17)                    | <b>20.</b> Olympic Park (0.07)                  |
| <b>10.</b> 156th/Dwight Pocket Park (0.55)        |                                                 |
| <b>11.</b> Wilmington/Cypress Pocket Park (0.33)  |                                                 |
| <b>12.</b> Walter R. Tucker Park (0.12)           |                                                 |
| <b>13.</b> Compton/Culver Pocket Park (0.60)      |                                                 |
| <b>14.</b> Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial (0.60) |                                                 |

SOURCE: TAHA, 2011.



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FIGURE 3-13

PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

The Master Plan identifies “Creek Systems” which are systematic improvements of typical spaces and urban types along Compton Creek. The Creek Systems identify various types of parks including parks, pocket parks, and street-end parks. Table 3-5 classifies the different categories of parks that are proposed as a part of the Master Plan and places them in the context of the General Plan Conservation/Open Space/Parks and Recreation Element park classification system. The Creek Systems that are proposed as a part of the Master Plan are site-specific and are identified in Figures 2-4 through 2-6 in Section 2.0 Project Description.

A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan were to include substantial employment or population growth that could generate a demand that exceeds the capacity or capability of the local park system to serve the proposed project necessitating new or physically altered park facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts. As previously mentioned, the Master Plan would not directly generate population growth since it does not include any housing. It is expected that as a result of the implementation of the Master Plan, access to parks and open space would actually increase. This is consistent with the General Plan Conservation/Open Space/Parks and Recreation Element Goal which is to “develop and maintain a balanced system of open space, public parks and recreational facilities.” Therefore, a beneficial impact related to parks would occur.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

#### **v) Other public facilities?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan were to include substantial employment or population growth that could generate a demand for other public facilities (such as libraries, and other general public facilities), which exceed the capacity available to serve the project area, necessitating new or physically altered public facility, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts. The Master Plan would not directly generate population growth since it does not include any housing. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to other public facilities.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**TABLE 3-5: PARK CLASSIFICATION**

| Master Plan<br>Creek System<br>Classification                                                         | Purpose/Goals                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Estimated<br>Size     | General Plan<br>Classification |
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| <b>Parks</b><br>(4 Potential<br>Locations)                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diversify the recreational activities supported by different areas within each park.</li> <li>Integrate BMPs, nature gardens, and educational zones in the parks with Compton Creek.</li> <li>Enhance trails on both sides of Compton Creek with richer plantings and other interesting features adjacent to the parks.</li> <li>Distinguish specific places with landscape features targeted to children (i.e. groves, gardens, mounds).</li> <li>Create amenities such as playgrounds and kiddie pools, that will benefit the entire City.</li> <li>Establish community gardens to foster interaction amongst neighbors and to cultivate awareness of agricultural heritage.</li> <li>Provide parks with unique identities through the installation of site specific and context responsive public art.</li> <li>Provide visual and physical access to Creek bottom.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                       | Less than<br>10 acres | Neighborhood<br>Park           |
| <b>Pocket Parks</b><br>(4 Potential<br>Locations)                                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide gateways to Compton Creek that provide an intimate connection between neighborhoods and Compton Creek.</li> <li>Buffer against exotic plant species by planting self-propagating native riparian vegetation - seeds blown into the Creek flow downstream to establish new colonies in naturalized sections of Compton Creek.</li> <li>Integrate bioswales and other BMPs that treat localized stormwater runoff into a demonstration garden in pocket parks.</li> <li>Encourage community stewardship of the parks and involvement in creation and design.</li> <li>Enrich the learning experience of Compton Creek by integrating signage into park features.</li> <li>Establish a unique identity for the Compton Creek and enliven the park with public art.</li> <li>Deter dumping not only through the design of anti-dumping features but by creating a place that encourages pedestrian traffic.</li> <li>Construct park amenities that are less susceptible to vandalism and theft (i.e. fixed&amp; consolidated amenities).</li> </ul> | Less than<br>1 acre   | Mini Park                      |
| <b>Street-End<br/>Parks</b><br>(24 Potential<br>Locations)                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highlight access to Compton Creek with neighborhood gateways located in the Street-End cul-de-sacs.</li> <li>Supplement and reinforce the network of Street-End Parks with Green Streets that extend Creek presence into surrounding neighborhoods.</li> <li>Enhance neighborhood character through involving the community in planning their Street-End parks.</li> <li>Create a garden setting and raise awareness of the importance of improving the Compton Creek water quality with Street-End BMPs.</li> <li>Create informal spaces that are adaptable to a variety of neighborhood activities.</li> <li>Unify neighborhoods that are split by the Creek with bold visual connections.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Less than<br>1 acre   | Mini Park                      |
| <b>SOURCE:</b> Mia Lehrer & Associates, <i>Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan</i> , 2006. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                       |                                |

### 3.15 RECREATION (RC)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                             | Potentially Significant Impact | Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated | Less-Than-Significant Impact        | No Impact                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated? | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?                        | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**a) Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan caused a substantial physical deterioration of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities. The objective of the Master Plan is to improve the visual character of Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. As discussed above in Section 3.14(iv) Parks, implementation of the Master Plan would result in the development of four Neighborhood Parks, four Pocket Parks, and 28 Mini-Parks. It is expected that the Master Plan will provide a beneficial effect on recreation in the City by increasing access and availability to parks, open space, and recreational facilities. In addition, the Master Plan proposes to improve and rehabilitate existing park facilities by adding new amenities such as trash containers, drinking fountains, bike racks, playground and athletic facilities, benches, picnic areas, way-finding signs, and public restrooms. Implementation of the Master Plan would increase the use and availability of parks and other recreational facilities but would not result in the deterioration of any park or recreational facility. To the contrary, implementation of the Master Plan would provide a beneficial effect on recreational facilities by increasing access and availability of parks, open space and recreational facilities and providing new amenities to existing park facilities. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to substantial physical deterioration of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities.

#### Mitigation Measures

None required.

**b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan necessitated construction activities, which would adversely impact the environment, or require the expansion or development of parks or other recreational facilities. As discussed above, the objective of the Master Plan is to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. As such, the Master Plan includes new recreational facilities

that are described in **Table 3-6** below. Section 3.14(iv) Parks discusses new park systems that are proposed as a part of the Master Plan.

**TABLE 3-6: PROPOSED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES**

| Master Plan Element                                                                                   | Description/Goals                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <b>Athletic Facility</b><br>(4 Potential Locations)                                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diversify the recreational activities supported by different areas within each park.</li> <li>Athletic facilities include new baseball fields, basketball courts, soccer fields, or volleyball courts</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Fitness Course</b><br>(Throughout the Project Area)                                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A linear fitness network and a series of recreational facilities. The linear fitness network consists of measured running loops and a unique course integrated with future and existing pocket parks, street-end parks, joint-use spaces, and parks. Recreational facilities, such as sports fields, are integrated into the system to create a diverse and multi-use set of facilities.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Enhanced Bike Paths</b><br>(2 Potential Locations)                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extends network of safe routes (e.g. to the beach)</li> <li>Enhances the quality, character, and function of the path.</li> <li>Provides opportunity to introduce a continuous structural BMP along Compton Creek's edge that serves to decrease direct run-off</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Multi-Use Trails</b><br>(Throughout the Project Area)                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Popularize horseback riding along Compton Creek and enhance the character of the City and the Creek Corridor.</li> <li>Increase open space access to surrounding communities by improving regional connections to the Los Angeles River and other bikepaths.</li> <li>Create a place that allows people to enjoy a unique opportunity take nature hikes in an urban area.</li> <li>Construct a long, continuous, and safe route for pedestrians and equestrians that will encourage people to get out and exercise.</li> <li>Trail-side plantings treat localized stormwater runoff, including water tainted by horse manure, and give the trails a distinctive naturalized character.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Enhanced Crossings</b><br>(3 Potential Locations)                                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Creates continuous trail system with direct and safe crossings</li> <li>Provides invaluable local transportation asset</li> <li>Allows users to experience the continuity of Compton Creek</li> <li>Improves trail system and usage of trail system by all user groups</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>SOURCE:</b> Mia Lehrer & Associates, <i>Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan</i> , 2006. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

Implementation of the Master Plan would not necessitate or require the expansion or development of new recreational facilities. To the contrary, implementation of the Master Plan would actually increase access and availability of parks, open space and recreational facilities and would provide new recreation amenities such as athletic facilities, a fitness course and enhanced bike trails. Therefore, a beneficial impact related to recreational facilities would occur.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

### 3.16 TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC (TT)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Potentially Significant Impact | Less-Than-Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated | Less-Than-Significant Impact        | No Impact                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?        | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b) Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?                                                                                                                                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Substantially increase hazards to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Result in inadequate emergency access?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| f) Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>a) Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?</b> |                                |                                                           |                                     |                                     |

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan increased traffic above the existing traffic load of the street system. The Master Plan does not propose uses that typically increase traffic loads. On the contrary, implementation of the Master Plan would encourage the use of alternative forms of transportation, including walking, biking, and horseback riding. It would accomplish this by improving access to walkways, bike paths, and equestrian paths, creating new

parks and pathways, enhancing existing ones, creating community gardens, and creating plazas and outdoor classrooms. Also, construction activities will take place within the Compton Creek right-of-way and would not disrupt mass transit. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to a conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance, or policy establishing the performance of the circulation system.

### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

#### **b) Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan individually or cumulatively exceeded the service standards of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (Metro) Congestion Management Plan (CMP). The CMP is a State-mandated program designed to address the impact urban congestion has on local communities and the region as a whole. The CMP provides an analytical basis for the transportation decisions contained in the State Transportation Improvement Project (STIP). The CMP guidelines specify that all freeway segments where a project could add 150 or more trips in each direction during the peak hours be evaluated. The guidelines also require evaluation of all designated CMP roadway intersections where a project could add 50 or more trips during either peak hour. A substantial change in freeway conditions is defined as an increase or decrease of 0.10 in the demand to capacity ratio and a change in the Level of Service (LOS).

The Master Plan is not expected to increase peak hour trips over existing conditions, because it will not generate employment or housing. Implementation of the Master Plan will result in recreational and passive enjoyment of the Creek system by the surrounding neighborhoods. It is anticipated that most users of the amenities developed under the Master Plan would walk or bicycle to the project area. Therefore, the Master Plan peak hour traffic volume would not exceed 50 peak hour trips or 150 peak hour trips to a freeway segment. Consequently, the proposed project would not generate peak hour trips that exceed CMP requirements for further study, and as such, would not exceed, or cumulatively contribute to, an exceedance of a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to a CMP.

### **Mitigation Measures**

None required.

#### **c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan caused a change in air traffic patterns that would result in a substantial safety risk. At the closest point, Compton Creek is 0.25-miles east of the Compton Airport. The tallest features of the Master Plan would be new trees and lighting fixtures, but these would not be tall enough so as to require a change in air traffic patterns. Also, implementation of the Master Plan will not include uses that generate air traffic. Therefore, no impacts related to a change in air traffic patterns would occur.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

#### **d) Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan substantially increased an existing hazardous design feature or introduced incompatible uses to the existing traffic pattern. The Master Plan would create natural park land along Compton Creek, and would not modify the existing channel. The Master Plan would not introduce any design features or incompatible uses to the area that would affect the geometry of traffic lanes. Therefore, no impact related to increased hazards would occur.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

#### **e) Result in inadequate emergency access?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact after Mitigation Incorporated.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would not satisfy emergency access requirements of the Compton Fire Department or in any other way threaten the ability of emergency vehicles to access and serve the project area or adjacent uses. The Compton Fire Department would need to review the Master Plan to ensure that required fire protection safety features, including adequate emergency access, are implemented.

In addition, construction related to the Master Plan may require street and sidewalk improvements. These sidewalk improvements could potentially affect access by emergency service providers. Therefore, without mitigation, the proposed project would result in a significant impact related to adequate emergency access. However, implementation of Mitigation Measure **TT1** would reduce the impact to less than significant.

### Mitigation Measures

**TT1** The Compton Fire Department shall review and provide recommendations to the City related to the Master Plan for adequate safety features and emergency access.

#### **f) Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan conflicted with programs supporting alternative transportation. The Master Plan aims to emphasize a livable, walkable, urban community.<sup>32</sup> In this way, the Master Plan would not conflict with, but actually encourage, alternative transportation through improved walking, biking, and equestrian pathways. Therefore, no impact related to adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities would occur.

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<sup>32</sup>Mia Lehrer & Associates, *Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan*, 2006.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**g) Result in inadequate parking capacity?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would result in an inadequate parking supply. Implementing the Master Plan would not be expected to increase parking demand within the project area. Many of the Master Plan's elements are designed to encourage alternative transportation, such as walking, biking, and horseback riding. In addition, the street end parks and pocket parks in the Master Plan are designed to be used by the local residents and are not intended as destination uses and would not generate a parking demand greater than current uses. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to parking.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

### 3.17 UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS (US)

| Would the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?                                                                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?                            | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| c) Require or result in the construction of new stormwater drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| d) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resource, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| e) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments? | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| f) Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?                                                                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| g) Comply with federal, State, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?                                                                                                                                         | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

#### a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan exceeded wastewater treatment requirements of the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). The City of Compton Public Works Department, in coordination with the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts, maintains and operates the sewer system in the City in accordance with the requirements of the RWQCB. The City is served by the Los Angeles County Sanitation District Nos. 1, 2, and 8. Sewer lines are maintained by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works. The Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County operate ten water reclamation plants and one ocean discharge facility, the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant (JWPCP). The closest plant to the City is the JWPCP located in the City of Carson. This wastewater treatment plant provides treatment for 350 million gallons of wastewater per day serving a population of approximately 3.5 million people. Currently, the JWPCP has a design capacity of 400 million gallons per day (mgd) and an average flow of 281 mgd. Wastewater treated at JWPCP is

disinfected and sent out into the Pacific Ocean through a network of ocean outfalls that extend two miles off the coast of the Palos Verdes Peninsula at a depth of 200 feet. This ocean outfall produces a safe dilution level in excess of 100 parts seawater to one part wastewater.<sup>33</sup>

The Master Plan proposes to improve Compton Creek and no new buildings or major structures are proposed. Consequently, implementation of the Master Plan would not result in an increase in wastewater discharge that could create unforeseen capacity concerns at the JWPCP. Therefore, no impact related to wastewater treatment would occur.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

#### **b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would increase water consumption or wastewater generation to such a degree that the capacity of facilities currently serving the project area would be exceeded. The Master Plan is intended to serve as a guide to improve Compton Creek with the creation of parks, pocket parks, community gardens, public art, landscaping, and trails. The Master Plan also identifies locations for potential components such as tree plantings; amenities such as trash receptacles and drinking fountains; and parks and programs such as playgrounds and athletic facilities. Implementation of the Master Plan would increase the use and availability of parks, open space, and landscape elements which would increase water demand. However, to reduce water demand the Master Plan outlines new planting requirements which use sustainable native plants. Once properly established, natural rainfall will sustain these native plantings, thus reducing long-term maintenance costs as well as water, nutrient, and pesticide usage. Also, plant acquisition and practices would have to conform to the standards outlined in the Los Angeles River Master Plan Landscaping Guidelines and Plant Palettes (January 2004). Lastly, the City participates with other communities in the Century and Rio Hondo Water Reclamation Projects which delivers 22,000 acre-feet of reclaimed water per year to the Los Angeles Central Basin; the Master Plan “encourages the use of reclaimed water for irrigation, centralized controllers, and subsurface irrigation.”<sup>34</sup>

As described above, water usage associated with the proposed project would be minimal and, therefore, no new water or wastewater treatment facilities or the expansion of existing treatment facilities would be required. Implementation of the Master Plan would include all necessary water pipe improvements and connections to adequately link the proposed project to the existing City water system. The design of these connections would be developed by a registered civil engineer and approved by the Department of Public Works. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

<sup>33</sup>Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County website, <http://www.lacsd.org/about/serviceareamap.asp>, accessed on November 30, 2010.

<sup>34</sup>Mia Lehrer & Associates, *Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan*, 2006.

**c) Require or result in the construction of new stormwater drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would increase surface water runoff, resulting in the need for expanded off-site stormwater drainage facilities. Under the proposed project, stormwater or any runoff irrigation waters would be directed into existing storm drains that receive surface water runoff under existing conditions. Implementation of the Master Plan would result in an increase in pervious surfaces which will permit more percolation of water into the ground, and stormwater runoff would not increase. Consequently, alterations to existing drainage patterns within the site and surrounding area would not occur. In addition, as discussed above in Response to Checklist Question 3.9.a Hydrology and Water Quality, the proposed project would be required to comply with the requirements of a NPDES Permit issued by the RWQCB and effectively capture, retain, and disperse stormwater runoff. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to construction or expansion of stormwater treatment facilities.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**d) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan were to increase water consumption to such a degree that new water sources would need to be identified or that existing resources would be consumed at a greater pace than planned by purveyors, distributors, and service providers. The City is served by the CMWD, which derives its supply from local groundwater wells and imported water through the Metropolitan Water District. The City's long-range water demand and availability program is expressed in the City of Compton Urban Water Management Plan, which addresses available supply and entitlements, and system infrastructure, on the basis of the General Plan buildout. Development consistent with the General Plan is taken into consideration in system planning. Since the proposed project would be consistent with the General Plan's designated land use and the entitled land use under the existing zoning, it is expected that sufficient water would be available to the CMWD, under existing entitlements, to serve the proposed project.

Water would be used in the short-term during construction for grading, dust suppression, the mixing and pouring of concrete, and other construction-related activities. Water usage for such purposes would be intermittent throughout construction and temporary in nature and would not exceed that of the completed development. As such, construction activities would require minimal water and demand is not anticipated to have any adverse impact on the available water supply or the existing water distribution system.

Implementation of the Master Plan would increase the use and availability of parks, open space, and landscape elements which would increase water demand. However, to reduce water demand the Master Plan outlines new planting requirements which use sustainable native plants. Once properly established, natural rainfall will sustain these native plantings, thus reducing long-term maintenance costs as well as water, nutrient, and pesticide usage. Also, plant acquisition and practices would have to conform to the standards outlined in the Los Angeles River Master Plan Landscaping Guidelines and Plant Palettes (January 2004). In addition, the City participates with other communities in the Century and Rio Hondo Water Reclamation Projects which delivers 22,000 acre-feet of reclaimed water per year to the Los Angeles Central Basin; the Master Plan "encourages the use of reclaimed water for irrigation, centralized

controllers, and subsurface irrigation.”<sup>35</sup> Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to water demand.

#### Mitigation Measures

None required.

- e) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project’s projected demand in addition to the provider’s existing commitments?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would increase wastewater generation to the degree that the capacity of facilities currently serving the project site would be exceeded. As described in Response to Checklist Question 3.17.a, the Master Plan proposes to improve Compton Creek and no new buildings or major structures are proposed which could result in an increase in wastewater generation. Therefore, no impact related to wastewater treatment capacity would occur.

#### Mitigation Measures

None required.

- f) Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project’s solid waste disposal needs?**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan resulted in solid waste generation that exceeded the capacity of permitted landfills. The Solid Waste Management Department of the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (SWMD) operates three county landfills: Calabasas, Puente Hills and Scholl Canyon. In addition, the SWMD operates three regional Materials Recovery and Transfer stations and a recycling center. The Puente Hills landfill located at 2800 South Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California is the closest open landfill to the City.

The total remaining permitted inert waste capacity in Los Angeles County is estimated to be approximately 69.94 million tons, a capacity that could be exhausted in approximately 60 years. Since there is no anticipated shortfall in disposal capacity for inert waste within the County, any construction related activities that could occur as a result of the Master Plan would have a less-than-significant impact on solid waste disposal. The amount of project-related waste disposed of at area landfills would be reduced through recycling and waste diversion programs.

As previously mentioned, the Master Plan proposes to improve Compton Creek and no new buildings or major structures are proposed which would result in additional solid waste on-site. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to landfill capacity.

#### Mitigation Measures

None required.

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<sup>35</sup>Mia Lehrer & Associates, *Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan*, 2006.

**g) Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan were in non-compliance with any federal, State, or local statutes related to solid waste. Solid waste management is guided by the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 that emphasizes resource conservation through reduction, recycling, and reuse of solid waste. The Act requires that localities conduct a Solid Waste Generation Study (SWGS) and develop a Source Reduction Recycling Element (SRRE). The solid waste generated during the construction and operation of the Master Plan would be disposed of in accordance with all applicable statutes and conservation measures regarding solid waste. The landfills which would serve the proposed project would have the capacity to accept the amount of non-recyclable solid waste that is generated by the proposed project both during construction and operation. Therefore, no impact related to solid waste services would occur.

**Mitigation Measures**

None required.

**3.18 MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE**

| Does the project:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Potentially<br>Significant<br>Impact | Less-Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact with<br>Mitigation<br>Incorporated | Less-<br>Than-<br>Significant<br>Impact | No<br>Impact                        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) Have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?        | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b) Have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of an individual project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects).                                                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| c) Have environmental effects which cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/>             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>a) Have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?</b> |                                      |                                                                        |                                         |                                     |

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan would degrade the quality of the environment, natural habitat or eliminate important examples of California history. The preceding analyses concluded that no significant unmitigated impacts to the environment would occur. Based on these findings, the proposed Master Plan is not expected to degrade the quality of the environment. Rather, implementation of the Master Plan would provide many benefits to the area, including improved riparian habitat quality and quantity, improved water quality, creation of adjacent open spaces, and development that enhances the natural qualities of Compton Creek, increased and improved open space and recreation opportunities, as well as improved pedestrian, bicycle, and equestrian access and safety. Implementation of the Master Plan would likely benefit fish and wildlife and incrementally reverse the overall cumulative effects that have previously occurred along Compton Creek. Furthermore, as discussed in Response to Checklist Question 3.5.b, potential impacts to archeological resources would be less than significant with mitigation. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant impacts related to degradation of natural habitat and California history.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

- b) Have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (“Cumulatively considerable” means that the incremental effects of an individual project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects).**

**Less-Than-Significant Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan, in conjunction with the related projects, would result in impacts that are less than significant when viewed separately but significant when viewed together. Although related projects may be constructed in the project vicinity, the cumulative impacts to which the proposed project would contribute would be less than significant as all potential impacts of the proposed project would be reduced to less-than-significant levels with implementation of the mitigation measures provided in the previous sections. None of these potential impacts are considered cumulatively considerable, and implementation of the mitigation measures identified in this initial study would ensure that no cumulative impacts would occur as a result of the proposed project. Therefore, the proposed project would result in less-than-significant cumulatively considerable impacts.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

- c) Have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?**

**No Impact.** A significant impact would occur if implementation of the Master Plan has the potential to cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, as discussed in the preceding sections. All potential impacts of the Master Plan have been identified, and mitigation measures have been prescribed, where applicable, to reduce all potential impacts to less-than-significant levels. Upon implementation of mitigation measures, the Master Plan would not have the potential to result in substantial adverse impacts on human beings either directly or indirectly. Therefore no impact related to substantial adverse effects on human beings would occur.

### Mitigation Measures

None required.

## 4.0 PERSONS AND SOURCES CONSULTED

### 4.1 SOURCES CONSULTED

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## MITIGATION MONITORING & REPORTING PROGRAM

Section 21081.6 of the Public Resources Code and Section 15097 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines require adoption of a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for all projects for which an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been prepared. This requirement was originally mandated by Assembly Bill (AB) 3180 which was enacted on January 1, 1989 to ensure the implementation of all mitigation measures adopted through the CEQA process. Specifically, Section 21081.6 of the Public Resources Code states that "...the agency shall adopt a reporting or monitoring program for the changes made to the project or conditions of project approval, adopted in order to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment...[and that the program]...shall be designed to ensure compliance during project implementation."

AB 3180 provided general guidelines for implementing monitoring and reporting programs, which are enumerated in more detail in Section 15097 of the CEQA Guidelines. However, specific reporting and/or monitoring requirements to be enforced during project implementation shall be defined prior to final approval of the proposed project by the decision-maker. In response to established CEQA requirements, the proposed MMRP shall be submitted to the City of Compton (Lead Agency) for consideration prior to completion of the environmental review process to enable the decision-makers appropriate response to the proposed project. Although the Lead Agency may delegate reporting or monitoring responsibilities to other agencies or entities, it "...remains responsible for ensuring that implementation of the mitigation measures occurs in accordance with the program."

The MMRP describes the procedures for the implementation of the mitigation measures to be adopted for the proposed project as identified in the Draft IS/MND/EA. The MMRP for the proposed project will be in place through all phases of the proposed project, including design (pre-construction), construction, and operation (post-construction both prior to and post-occupancy). The City of Compton Department of Planning and Economic Development shall be responsible for administering the MMRP activities or delegating them to staff, other City departments, consultants, or contractors. The Compton Department of Planning and Economic Development will also ensure that monitoring is documented through reports (as required) and that deficiencies are promptly corrected. The designated environmental monitor (e.g. City building inspector, project contractor, certified professionals, etc., depending on the provision specified below) will track and document compliance with mitigation measures, note any problems that may result, and take appropriate action to remedy problems.

Each mitigation measure is categorized by environmental topic and corresponding number, with identification of:

- The enforcement agency
- The monitoring agency
- The monitoring phase (i.e., the phase of the Project during which the measure should be monitored)
- The monitoring frequency
- The action indicating compliance with the mitigation measure

All agencies and departments are in the City of Compton, unless otherwise noted.

**AESTHETICS**

- AE1** Applicant shall ensure that all lighting be directed and/or shielded to minimize lighting spillover effects onto adjacent and nearby properties.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                               |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Planning and Economic Development                 |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction and Post-Construction                          |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Once during plan-check and once before completion               |
| Compliance Action:    | Compliance certification from Department of Building and Safety |

- AE2** Applicant shall ensure that glare effects be limited by using non-reflective building and construction materials, such as concrete, wood, and stucco. This shall include, but not be limited to, art installations, fencing material, and recreational equipment.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                               |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Planning and Economic Development                 |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction and Post-Construction                          |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Once during plan-check and once before completion               |
| Compliance Action:    | Compliance certification from Department of Building and Safety |

**AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES**

No mitigation measures related to agricultural resources are required.

**AIR QUALITY**

- AQ1** The City of Compton shall implement and enforce an odor control and maintenance program to mitigate the effects of odors generated at the equestrian trail. The program shall include daily management of solid wastes generated by the horses and the disposal of wastes off-site at least twice weekly.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                                                                     |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Planning and Economic Development                                                                                                       |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction and Operations                                                                                                                       |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review and periodic field inspection                                                                                                       |
| Compliance Action:    | Permits, periodic field inspection sign off, and submission of compliance certification report by the Department of Planning and Economic Development |

## BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

- BR1** To prevent contaminated wastewater from entering downstream habitats, designated areas shall be set aside for equipment washing and small batch mixing of concrete or other chemicals. The set aside areas shall be lined with an impermeable liner, and all washings or residue shall be collected and properly disposed of following construction. To prevent downstream impacts from runoff and erosion, a complete Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) shall be prepared, approved, and implemented. Monitoring of the SWPPP measures shall take place monthly during the summer and weekly during the winter. SWPPP measures shall also be checked after each rain event. A monitoring report shall be prepared and presented bi-annually or whenever measures are not being adequately implemented.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                              |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Planning and Economic Development                                                                |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction and Construction                                                                              |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan-check review and periodically during construction                                                         |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of a grading or demolition permit and compliance certification from Department of Building and Safety |

- BR2** To prevent the disturbance of nesting native and/or migratory bird species, all clearing and grubbing of the project site should take place between September 1 and February 14. Winter site clearing will ensure that nesting birds are not present and impacted. If construction is scheduled or ongoing near the perimeter of the grading footprint during bird nesting season (February 15 to August 31), qualified biologists should survey the area within 200 feet (or up to 300 feet, depending on topography or other factors, and 500 feet for raptors) of the construction activity to determine if grading is disturbing nesting birds. If nesting activity is being compromised, construction should be suspended in the vicinity of the nest until fledging is complete. This mitigation measure will reduce the proposed project's impacts, disturbance to, and mortality of nesting birds to a less than significant level. These mitigation measures should be implemented by a qualified biologist under contract with the project applicant. The project biologist should prepare a report detailing the results of the construction monitoring efforts. The report should be submitted to the CDFG within two months of the completion of the monitoring activities.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety               |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Planning and Economic Development |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction                                |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Once prior to construction                      |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of a grading or demolition permit      |

**CULTURAL RESOURCES**

- CR1** During excavation and grading, if archaeological resources are uncovered, all work in that area shall cease and be diverted so as to allow for a determination of the value of the resource. Construction activities in that area may commence once the uncovered resources are collected by an archaeologist and properly processed.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Planning and Economic Development                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Construction                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Monitoring Frequency: | As needed throughout construction                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Compliance Action:    | If no unanticipated discoveries are found, submission of compliance certification report by the project contractor; if unanticipated discoveries are found, submission of mitigation plan(s) by a qualified archaeologist |

- CR2** During excavation and grading, if paleontological resources are uncovered, all work in that area shall cease and be diverted so as to allow for a determination of the value of the resource. Construction activities in that area may commence once the uncovered resources are collected by a paleontologist and properly processed. Any paleontological remains and/or reports and surveys shall be submitted to the Los Angeles County Natural History Museum.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Planning and Economic Development                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Construction                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Monitoring Frequency: | As needed throughout construction                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Compliance Action:    | If no unanticipated discoveries are found, submission of compliance certification report by the project contractor; if unanticipated discoveries are found, submission of mitigation plan(s) by a qualified paleontologist |

- CR3** If human remains are discovered, State Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 states that no further disturbance shall occur until the County Coroner has made a determination of origin and disposition pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 5097.98. The County Coroner must be notified of the find immediately. If the remains are determined to be prehistoric, the Coroner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours, which will determine and notify a Most Likely Descendant (MLD). With the permission of the landowner or his/her authorized representative, the MLD may inspect the site of the discovery. The MLD shall complete the inspection within 48 hours of notification by the NAHC.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Planning and Economic Development                                                                                                                                                         |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Construction                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Monitoring Frequency: | As needed throughout construction                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Compliance Action:    | If no unanticipated discoveries are found, submission of compliance certification report by the project contractor; if unanticipated discoveries are found, submission of mitigation plan(s) by Coroner |

## GEOLOGY AND SOILS

- GS1** Site-specific Geotechnical Investigation Reports shall be prepared to further assess the potential geophysical hazards. The findings of these site-specific Geotechnical Investigation Reports shall be incorporated into the design of the proposed project to reduce the potential for seismic-induced damages to the satisfaction of the City of Compton Department of Building and Safety.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Building and Safety |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-construction                  |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review                 |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of building permit       |

- GS2** The Applicant shall ensure that construction and excavation activities will adhere to the Best Management Practices (BMPs) set forth by the City. Such BMPs include using plastic coverings to prevent erosion of any unprotected area, such as mounds of dirt or dumpsters, along with devices designed to intercept and safely divert runoff.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                            |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Building and Safety                                                                            |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-construction and construction                                                                            |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review and as needed through construction                                                         |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of grading and building permits and compliance certification report submitted by project contractor |

- GS3** To the extent feasible, the Applicant shall ensure that grading will be scheduled for completion prior to the start of the rainy season (between November and April).

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                            |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Building and Safety                                                                            |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-construction and construction                                                                            |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review and as needed through construction                                                         |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of grading and building permits and compliance certification report submitted by project contractor |

- GS4** During inclement periods of the year, when rain is threatening (between November and April), the Applicant shall implement an erosion control plan that identifies BMPs to the satisfaction of the City's Building and Safety Division to minimize potential erosion during construction. The erosion control plan shall be a condition prior to issuance of any grading permit.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                              |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Building and Safety                                                              |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-construction and construction                                                              |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review and as needed through construction                                           |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of grading permit and compliance certification report submitted by project contractor |

- GS5** The Applicant shall ensure that provisions be made for adequate surface drainage away from the areas of excavation as well as protection of excavated areas from flooding. The grading contractor shall control surface water and the transportation of silt and sediment.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Building and Safety                                                                |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction and Construction                                                                |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review and as needed throughout construction                                          |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of building permits and compliance certification report submitted by project contractor |

## GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

No mitigation measures related to greenhouse gas emissions are required.

## HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

- HM1** An Emergency Procedures Plan shall be developed which includes notification to the City of Compton Departments of Public Works, Police, and Fire of any full or partial lane closures, movement of heavy construction equipment, and construction within the adjacent street right-of-ways.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                                                                                    |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and/or Compton Police Department, Compton Fire Department, Department of Public Works, and Department of Building and Safety |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction and Construction                                                                                                                                    |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Once prior to construction and as needed through construction                                                                                                        |
| Compliance Action:    | Submission of compliance certification report by project contractor                                                                                                  |

- HM2** The Emergency Procedures Plan shall specify a process by which any activities in the adjacent right-of-ways shall be coordinated with the emergency requirements of the Departments of Public Works, Police, and Fire.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                                                                                    |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and/or Compton Police Department, Compton Fire Department, Department of Public Works, and Department of Building and Safety |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction and Construction                                                                                                                                    |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Once prior to construction and as needed through construction                                                                                                        |
| Compliance Action:    | Submission of compliance certification report by project contractor                                                                                                  |

## HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY

No mitigation measures related to hydrology and water quality are required.

## LAND USE AND PLANNING

No mitigation measures related to land use and planning are required.

## MINERAL RESOURCES

No mitigation measures related to mineral resources are required.

## NOISE AND VIBRATION

- N1** The Applicant shall ensure that all construction equipment shall be equipped with mufflers and other suitable noise attenuation devices.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                   |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Building and Safety                                   |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Construction                                                        |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Periodic field inspection                                           |
| Compliance Action:    | Submission of compliance certification report by project contractor |

- N2** The Applicant shall ensure that the construction contractor shall use quieter equipment as opposed to noisier equipment (such as rubber-tired equipment rather than metal-tracked equipment).

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                   |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Building and Safety                                   |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Construction                                                        |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Periodic field inspection                                           |
| Compliance Action:    | Submission of compliance certification report by project contractor |

- N3** The Applicant shall ensure that the construction contractor shall place noise-generating construction equipment and locate construction staging areas away from sensitive uses.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                   |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Department of Building and Safety                                   |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Construction                                                        |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Periodic field inspection                                           |
| Compliance Action:    | Submission of compliance certification report by project contractor |

## POPULATION AND HOUSING

No mitigation measures related to population and housing are required.

**PUBLIC SERVICES**

- PS1** Prior to the issuance of building permits for a project implemented as a part of the Master Plan, the final site plan and site circulation plan shall be reviewed and approved by the City of Compton Fire Department to ensure conformity to their fire prevention and operational requirements.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                             |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Compton Fire Department and Department of Building and Safety |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction                                              |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review                                             |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of building permits                                  |

- PS2** Prior to the issuance of building permits for a project implemented as a part of the Master Plan, the final site plan and site circulation plan shall be reviewed and approved by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and/or the Compton Police Department to ensure conformity to their crime prevention measures and operational requirements.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                                                               |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and/or Compton Police Department, and Department of Building and Safety |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction                                                                                                |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review                                                                                               |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of building permits                                                                                    |

**RECREATION**

No mitigation measures related to recreation are required.

**TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION**

- TT1** The Compton Fire Department shall review and provide recommendations to the City related to the Master Plan for adequate safety features and emergency access.

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| Enforcement Agency:   | Department of Building and Safety                                           |
| Monitoring Agency:    | Compton Fire Department and Department of Planning and Economic Development |
| Monitoring Phase:     | Pre-Construction                                                            |
| Monitoring Frequency: | Plan check review                                                           |
| Compliance Action:    | Issuance of building permits                                                |

**UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS**

No mitigation measures related to utilities and service systems are required.

RESOLUTION SIGN-OFF FORM

DEPARTMENT: Planning

RESOLUTION TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON APPROVING AND ADOPTING MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION 926 AND THE MITIGATION AND MONITORING REPORT FOR THE COMPTON CREEK REGIONAL GARDEN PARK MASTER PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES.

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DEPARTMENT MANAGER’S SIGNATURE

<ManagersDate>  
DATE

REVIEW / APPROVAL

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CITY ATTORNEY

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CITY MANAGER

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| Asst. City Manager/OAS:    | All personnel actions.                                                                                                             |



June 8, 2011

**TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO RAYVERN  
LIGHTING SUPPLY COMPANY FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND STREET  
LAMP SUPPLIES AND SUPPORT SERVICES NEEDED TO MAINTAIN  
TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND STREET LIGHTS**

### **SUMMARY**

This resolution requests authorization to issue a purchase order to Rayvern Lighting Supply Company for blanket purchases of fixtures, lamps, valances, fuses and emergency pole replacements and emergency support services throughout the remainder of the fiscal year.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Street Maintenance Division Traffic Section provides maintenance services for all City owned traffic signals and street lights. In providing these services, it is necessary to purchase maintenance materials and emergency support services for traffic signals and emergency pole replacements.

Several years ago, price lists were requested and received from various vendors and Rayvern Lighting Supply Company proved to be lowest.

Since then, staff has done business with Rayvern. In fact, all existing lights, lamps, valances, fixtures, fuses, etc. are Rayvern products. Compatibility is the key and has been considered when determining which vendor with which to do business. Rayvern Lighting Supply Company has proven to be the vendor that meets the City's requirements with respect to the procurement of lighting supplies and emergency pole replacement.

### **STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE**

Planned expenditures shall soon reach the \$25,000 approval threshold.

Council approval is needed for additional expenditures. Accordingly, staff desires to issue a purchase order in an amount not-to-exceed \$21,750.

#11.

Rayvern Lighting Staff Report  
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**FISCAL IMPACT**

The funds for these materials and installations are available in Account No. 2502-720-000-4237.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the adoption of the attached resolution.

**WENDELL E. JOHNSON, P.E.  
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER**

**WILLIE NORFLEET  
CITY MANAGER**

**WN/WEJ/AT**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO  
RAYVERN LIGHTING SUPPLY COMPANY FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND  
STREET LAMP SUPPLIES AND SUPPORT SERVICES NEEDED TO  
MAINTAIN TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND STREET LIGHTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Street Maintenance Division Traffic Section provides maintenance services for all of the City owned traffic signals and street lights; and

**WHEREAS**, the Traffic Section in providing these services must purchase maintenance materials for traffic signal loop and emergency pole replacement in order to fulfill its mandates; and

**WHEREAS**, staff solicited a price list for provision street lamps, fixtures, valance replacements, fuses and emergency pole replacement and thereupon determined purchasing from Rayvern Lighting Supply Company would be most advantageous to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, all existing lights, lamps, valences, fixtures, fuses, etc. are Rayvern products and compatibility is very important; and

**WHEREAS**, planned expenditures with shall soon reach the \$25,000 approval threshold; and

**WHEREAS**, the acquisition of needed supplies and support services requires Council approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES  
HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the City Manager is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order to Rayvern Lighting Supply Company in an amount not to exceed Twenty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$21,750.00)

**SECTION 2.** That the funds are to be taken from Account Number 2502-720-000-4237.

**SECTION 3.** That certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the office of City Manager, City Controller, City Clerk, and the Public Works Department.

**SECTION 4.** That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CITY OF COMPTON

I, Alita Godwin, City clerk of the City of Compton hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council, signed by the mayor and attested by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

That said Resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

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| <b>AYES:</b>    | <b>COUNCIL MEMBERS-</b> |
| <b>NOES:</b>    | <b>COUNCIL MEMBERS-</b> |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>  | <b>COUNCIL MEMBERS-</b> |
| <b>ABSTAIN:</b> | <b>COUNCIL MEMBERS-</b> |

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

RESOLUTION SIGN-OFF FORM

DEPARTMENT: Public Works-Engineering

RESOLUTION TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO RAYVERN LIGHTING SUPPLY COMPANY FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND STREET LAMP SUPPLIES AND SUPPORT SERVICES NEEDED TO MAINTAIN TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND STREET LIGHTS

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**WARRANT APPROVED BY COUNCIL**

| <b><u>Warrant #</u></b> | <b><u>Date</u></b> | <b><u>Name</u></b> | <b><u>Description</u></b> | <b><u>Amount</u></b> |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 200220                  | 05/24/11           | C.H.A.N.G.E.       | Graffiti Removal          | \$5,000.00           |

**Requested by: Public Works**

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| 200375 | 05/25/11 | Gateway Cities<br>Council of Gov't | EIR/EIS Report | \$127,826.56 |
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**Requested by: Public Works**

I hereby certify that the above demand in the amount of \$132,826.56 was approved at a regular meeting of the City Council and reject \_\_\_\_\_ as of June 8, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Council Member\_\_\_\_\_  
Council Member\_\_\_\_\_  
City Manager

I hereby certify that the Finance Committee at a regular meeting of the City Council on June 8, 2011, allowed the above demand.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alita Godwin  
City Clerk



**WARRANT APPROVED BY COUNCIL**

| <b><u>Warrant #</u></b>           | <b><u>Date</u></b> | <b><u>Name</u></b>              | <b><u>Description</u></b>                                | <b><u>Amount</u></b> |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 200416                            | 05/31/11           | American Print Media            | Legal Advertising                                        | \$8,207.50           |
| <b>Requested by: City Clerk</b>   |                    |                                 |                                                          |                      |
| 200422                            | 05/31/11           | Los Angeles Co.<br>Public Works | Dep. for Jurisdictional<br>Share of Mona Blvd.,<br>Et Al | \$26,800.00          |
| <b>Requested by: Public Works</b> |                    |                                 |                                                          |                      |

I hereby certify that the above demands in the amount of \$35,007.50 were approved at a regular meeting of the City Council and reject \_\_\_\_\_ as of June 8, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Council Member

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Council Member

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City Manager

I hereby certify that the Finance Committee at a regular meeting of the City Council on June 8, 2011, allowed the above demands.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alita Godwin  
City Clerk



**WARRANT APPROVED BY COUNCIL**

| <b><u>Warrant #</u></b> | <b><u>Date</u></b> | <b><u>Name</u></b>           | <b><u>Description</u></b>                                    | <b><u>Amount</u></b> |
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| 200428                  | 05/31/11           | Press Telegram<br>Long Beach | Advertising Cost for<br>Mardi Gras & Latino<br>Festival 2011 | \$33,242.05          |

**Requested by: Recreation**

I hereby certify that the above demand in the amount of \$33,242.05 was approved at a regular meeting of the City Council and reject \_\_\_\_\_ as of June 8, 2011.

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Council Member

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Council Member

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City Manager

I hereby certify that the Finance Committee at a regular meeting of the City Council on June 8, 2011, allowed the above demand.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alita Godwin  
City Clerk



**WARRANT APPROVED BY COUNCIL**

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| 200447                  | 06/02/11           | C.H.A.N.G.E        | Graffiti Removal          | \$5,000.00           |

**Requested by: Public Works**

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| 200464 | 06/02/11 | Press Telegram<br>Long Beach | Advertising Cost | \$14,076.00 |
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**Requested by: Public Works**

I hereby certify that the above demands in the amount of \$19,076.50 were approved at a regular meeting of the City Council and reject \_\_\_\_\_ as of June 8, 2011.

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Council Member\_\_\_\_\_  
Council Member\_\_\_\_\_  
City Manager

I hereby certify that the Finance Committee at a regular meeting of the City Council on June 8, 2011, allowed the above demands.

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Alita Godwin  
City Clerk



June 8, 2011

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: REQUEST CITY OF COMPTON REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD  
OF TRUSTEES, COMPTON CREEK MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

In December 2008, the representative from the City of Compton, Ms. Josephine Lee, resigned from the Board. Since then, the City has had no representation on the Board.

The District has only five Board members and it is imperative that the City of Compton have representation on the Board.

Councilwoman Yvonne Arceneaux is requesting that she be appointed a regular member to the Board of Trustees of the District.

WILLIE NORFLEET  
CITY MANAGER

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TRUSTEES:

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Margaret D. Comer, President  
Fred Cressel, Vice President  
Katherine Guzman, Board Secretary  
Innette Weasel, Trustee  
Josephine Lee, Trustee

May 18, 2011

Councilwoman Yvonne Arceneaux  
Compton City Council  
205 S. Willowbrook Ave.  
Compton, CA 90220

Re: Compton Creek Mosquito Abatement District

Dear Councilwoman Arceneaux:

My name is Mitchel R. Weinbaum and I am the District Manager of the Compton Creek Mosquito Abatement District. I am writing this letter to you to ascertain your status as a member of the Board of Trustees of the District.

In December 2008, the representative from the City, Ms. Josephine Lee, resigned from the Board. Since then, the City has had no representation on the Board. I recollect that you had stated at a city council meeting that I had attended that you were Ms. Lee's alternate. However, the District has not received any notification of this appointment, nor has the District received the Oath of Office that is required for a person to become a member of the Board of Trustees.

The District has only five Board members and it is imperative that the City of Compton have representation on the Board. On behalf of the District, I respectfully ask that you, or another representative of the city, take the necessary legal steps to become a regular member of the Board of Trustees.

Please feel free to call the District Office if you have any questions.

For Compton Creek MAD:

Mitchel R. Weinbaum,  
District Manager/Technician

MEMBER MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL  
ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA

June 21, 2011

**TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FROM: CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR HEARING –  
COMPTON RENAISSANCE TRANSIT SYSTEM  
INCREASE IN PARATRANSIT FARE AMOUNT**

The Compton Renaissance Transit System provides a vital public service to the residents of the City of Compton by providing transit services to allow better access to jobs, local retail establishments, and schools in the City of Compton.

However, the system has not had a fare increase for decades, with the basic amount being unchanged at \$ .50. The revenue netted by this rate does not begin to approach mitigating the cost of the service. Staff recommends increasing the fare to \$1.25.

Currently, annual revenue is approximately \$120,000, while annual operating costs total approximately \$1.1 million. Thus, the service is subsidized in the amount of \$980,000. Under the proposed fare increase and changes in operating hours, the fare box revenue would increase from approximately \$120,000 to \$600,000, reducing the subsidy from \$980,000 to \$500,000.

In order to effect such a change, the City Council needs to schedule a public hearing to receive citizen comments on such a proposed fare increase in the Renaissance Transit Fixed Route Transit System, effective August 1, 2011.

City Council consideration and receipt of citizen comments must be conducted at an advertised public hearing. Therefore, staff requests that Council schedule a public hearing on this matter for Tuesday, June 21, 2011 at 5:50 P.M.

**WENDELL E. JOHNSON, P.E.**  
**DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER**

**WILLIE NORFLEET**  
**CITY MANAGER**

WN/WEJ/AT



June 8, 2011

TO: MAYOR & COUNCIL

FROM: WATER DEPARTMENT GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2010 URBAN  
WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

I am requesting permission to set a public hearing on June 28, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. to present the Urban Water Management Plan 2010 Update for your approval. This plan addresses the Water Department's drought response actions, water shortage contingency plan and the 20X2020 Water Conservation Plan set by new legislation.

The Water Department is requesting your permission to set the public hearing.

KAMBIZ SHOGHI  
GENERAL MANAGER



**June 8, 2011**

**TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FROM: CITY ATTORNEY**

**SUBJECT: CITY ATTORNEY REPORT/CLAIM NO. I-8430/LI-108A**

**SUMMARY**

Council will consider the claim of Jose Ochoa (Claim No. I-8430/LI-108A), presented to the City on April 27, 2011, pursuant to Govt. Code §915, 912.4(a) and 912.6(a).

**BACKGROUND**

On April 27, 2011, the above claim was presented to the City Controller by Jose Ochoa for property damage. Claimant alleges that on March 30, 2011, he was driving near the intersection of Compton Boulevard and Long Beach Boulevard when his vehicle was damaged as the result of street debris. Claimant alleges rocks, wood, metal and other things were on the street as City employees worked in this intersection. Claimant alleges the tire tread on his vehicle was punctured as a result of this street debris.

Our investigation confirmed that the City contracted with J Fletcher Creamer & Sons, Inc. and Spiniello Companies, two independent contractors as a joint venture, to work on the Waterline Replacement Job during the stated time near the alleged incident. Pursuant to our contract with J Fletcher Creamer & Sons, Inc. and Spiniello Companies, the companies are obligated to promptly remedy its potential liability at its cost without reimbursement by the City. Consequently, we are referring the Claimant to J Fletcher Creamer & Sons, Inc. and Spiniello Companies for resolution and requesting that this claim be denied.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

One Hundred Thirty Seven Dollars and Eighty One Cents (\$137.81).

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that this claim be denied.

\_\_\_\_\_/S/  
**CRAIG J. CORNWELL**  
**CITY ATTORNEY**



**June 8, 2011**

**TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**  
**FROM: CITY ATTORNEY**  
**SUBJECT: CITY ATTORNEY REPORT/CLAIM NO. I-8431/LI-107A**

**SUMMARY**

Council will consider the claim of Antonio Palache (Claim No. I-8431/LI-107A), presented to the City on April 27, 2011, pursuant to Govt. Code §915, 912.4(a) and 912.6(a).

**BAC KGROUND**

On April 27, 2011, the above claim was presented to the City Controller by a law firm representing Antonio Palache for personal injury. Claimant alleges that on April 9, 2011, he was walking near a park on Santa Fe Avenue and Oak Street (Cesar Chavez Park) when a City employee operating a City vehicle backed out of the park and struck him.

The factual account supporting this claim is in dispute in its entirety. Based upon our investigation to date, it appears that the vehicle which allegedly struck the Claimant was parked at the time of the incident. Moreover, though Claimant alleged he was struck by the vehicle, when Claimant was approached by the City employee, Claimant ran away from the employee.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Unknown at this time.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that this claim be denied.

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/S/  
**CRAIG J. CORNWELL**  
**CITY ATTORNEY**

